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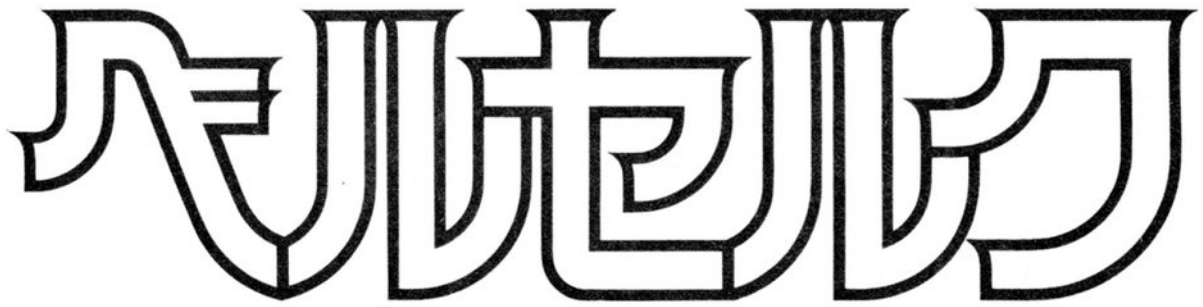
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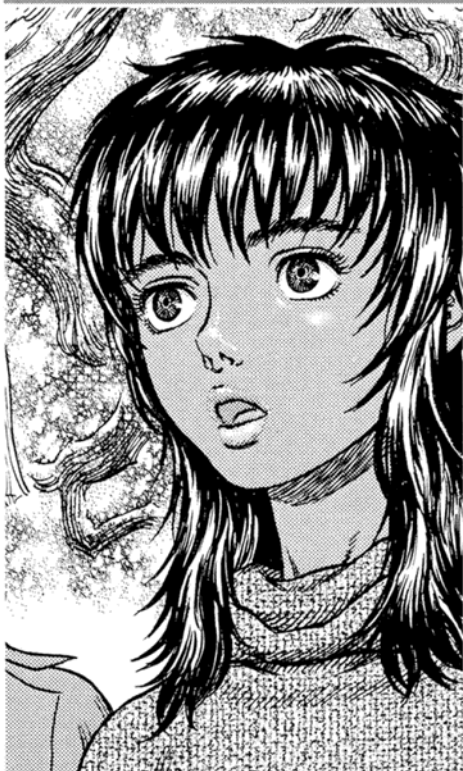
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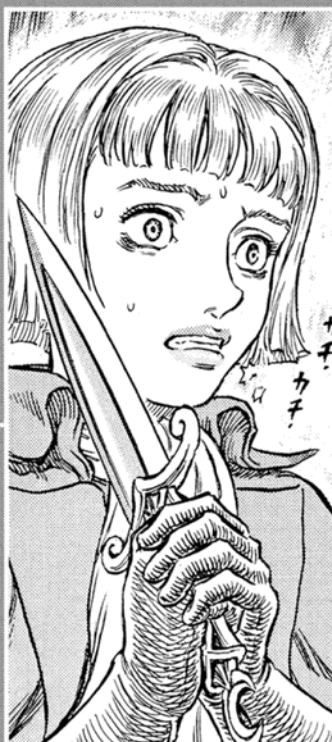


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キャスカ Casca

Former unit commander of the Band of the Hawk—mentally regressed from her experience in the Eclipse. She now neither speaks nor conveys any feelings. Her Brand, which reacts to evil, is thinly shielded by Flora's talisman.



ファルネーゼ Farnese

Former commander of the Holy See's Holy Iron Chain Knights, and daughter of the Vandimion family, one of influential status and wealth in the religious sphere. She seeks to learn from Guts her own means of survival and about the reality of the world.

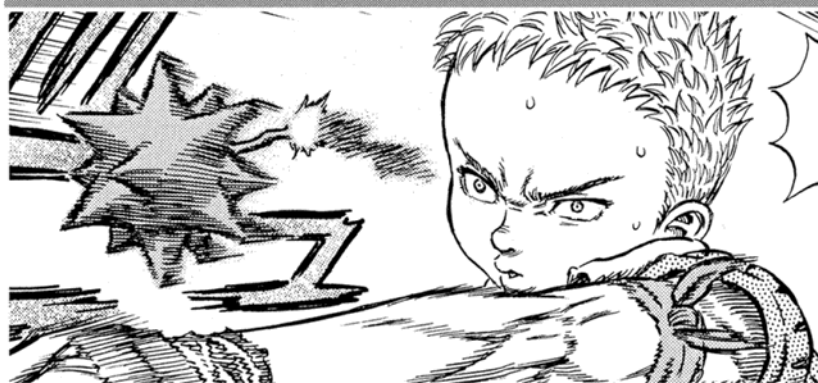


ガッツ Guts

The Black Swordsman. He exists in the Interstice, wears the Berserker armor, and his soul constantly torn between protecting Casca and challenging Griffith. That struggle is nothing short of sublime.

パック Puck

An elf who's long been with Guts on his journeys. His dust has the power to heal wounds. He recently revealed that he's an elemental wind spirit, and he also changes into Chestnut Puck.



イシドロ Isidro

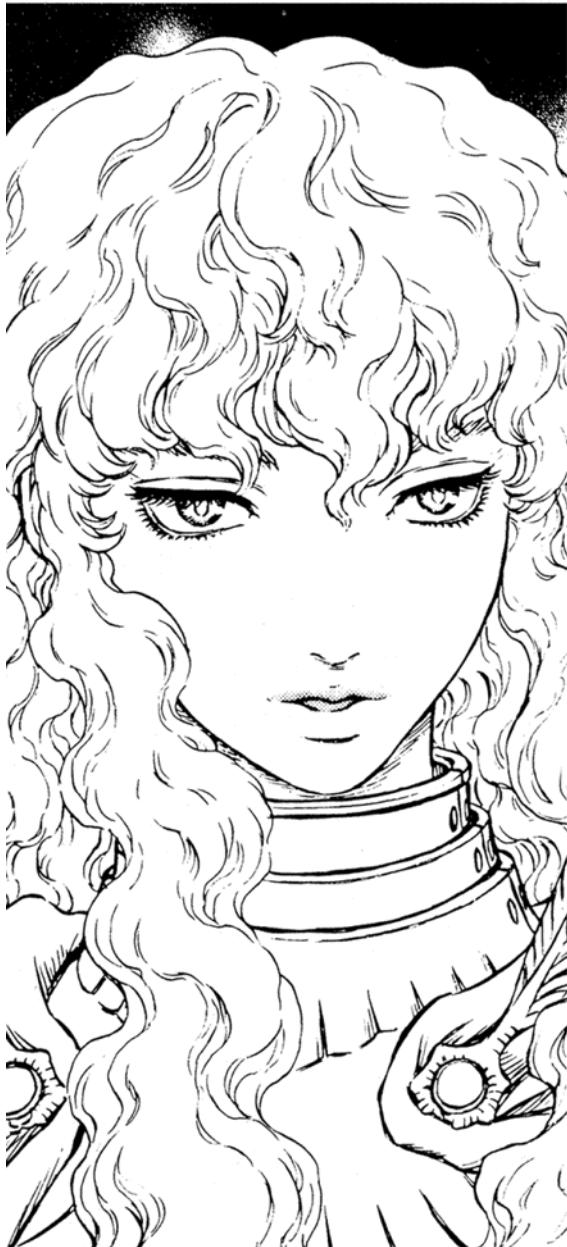
Dreams of being the "ultimate swordsman," but his actual talent, not up to snuff, repeatedly endangers him. Nevertheless, the boy endeavors toward his dream. He is currently equipped with a fetish granted the protection of fire elementals.





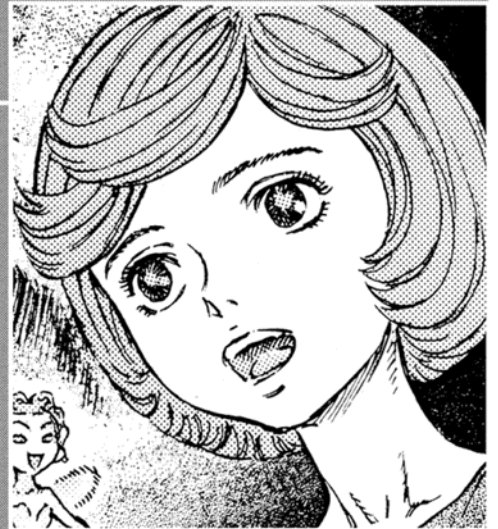
セルピコ Serpico

Attendant of Farnese, and actually her brother; however, she is not aware of the blood relationship. He is skilled in fighting and is currently clad in a fetish granted the protection of wind elementals.



シールケ Schierke

Disciple of Flora, witch of the Spirit Tree mansion. She supports Guts and the others through her use of magic; however, among her spells are some beyond her mastery, which occasionally place her in great peril as she tries to aid her allies. She has a stilted side to her personality.



グリフィス Griffith

Through the Eclipse of the Crimson Behelit, he was reborn as Femto of the Godhand. Later he was incarnated in the imitation Eclipse catalyzed by the egg-shaped apostle, thus returning to the physical world, in which he became the "absolute," without equal. He leads the reborn Band of the Hawk.

ゾッド Zodd

Nosferatu Zodd, the apostle with two names. He was unrivaled in his thirst for battle against the strong. But, defeated by Griffith, he is now part of the new Band of the Hawk.





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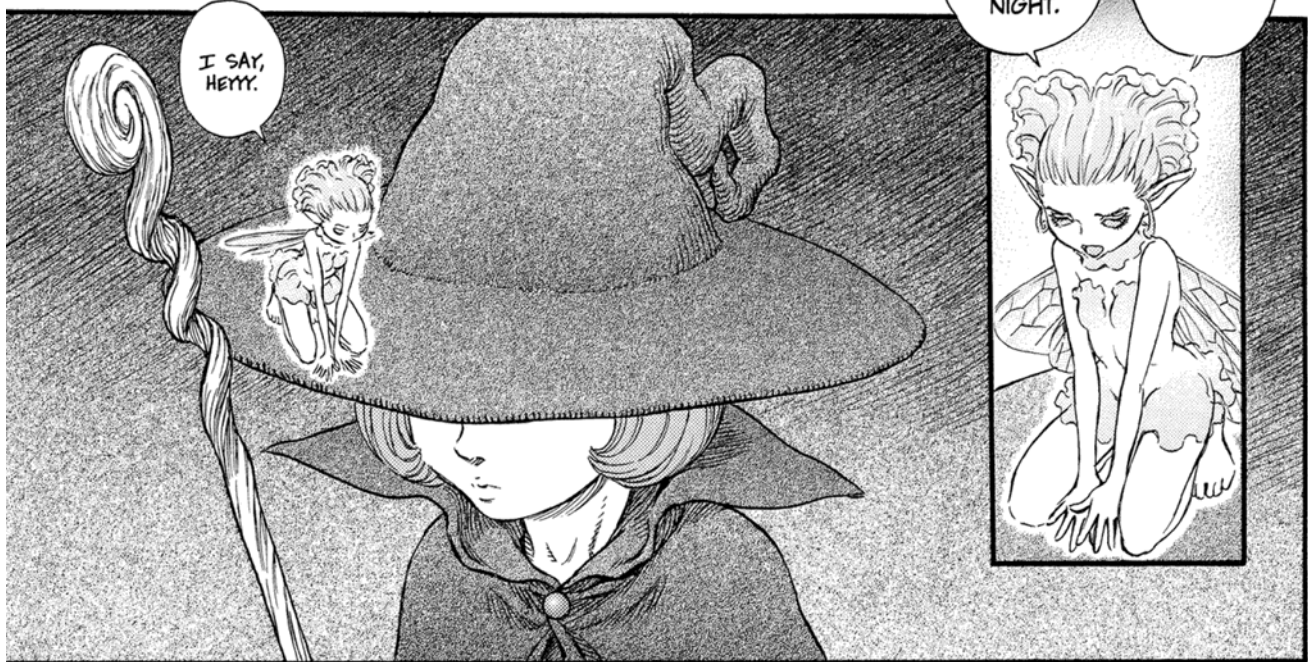


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*FX: D-D-O-O-O-O-S-S-S-H

THE
OCEAN'S
KINDA
CREEPY
AT
NIGHT.

HEY,
LET'S GO
BACK,
SCHIERKE.



I SAY,
HEYYY.

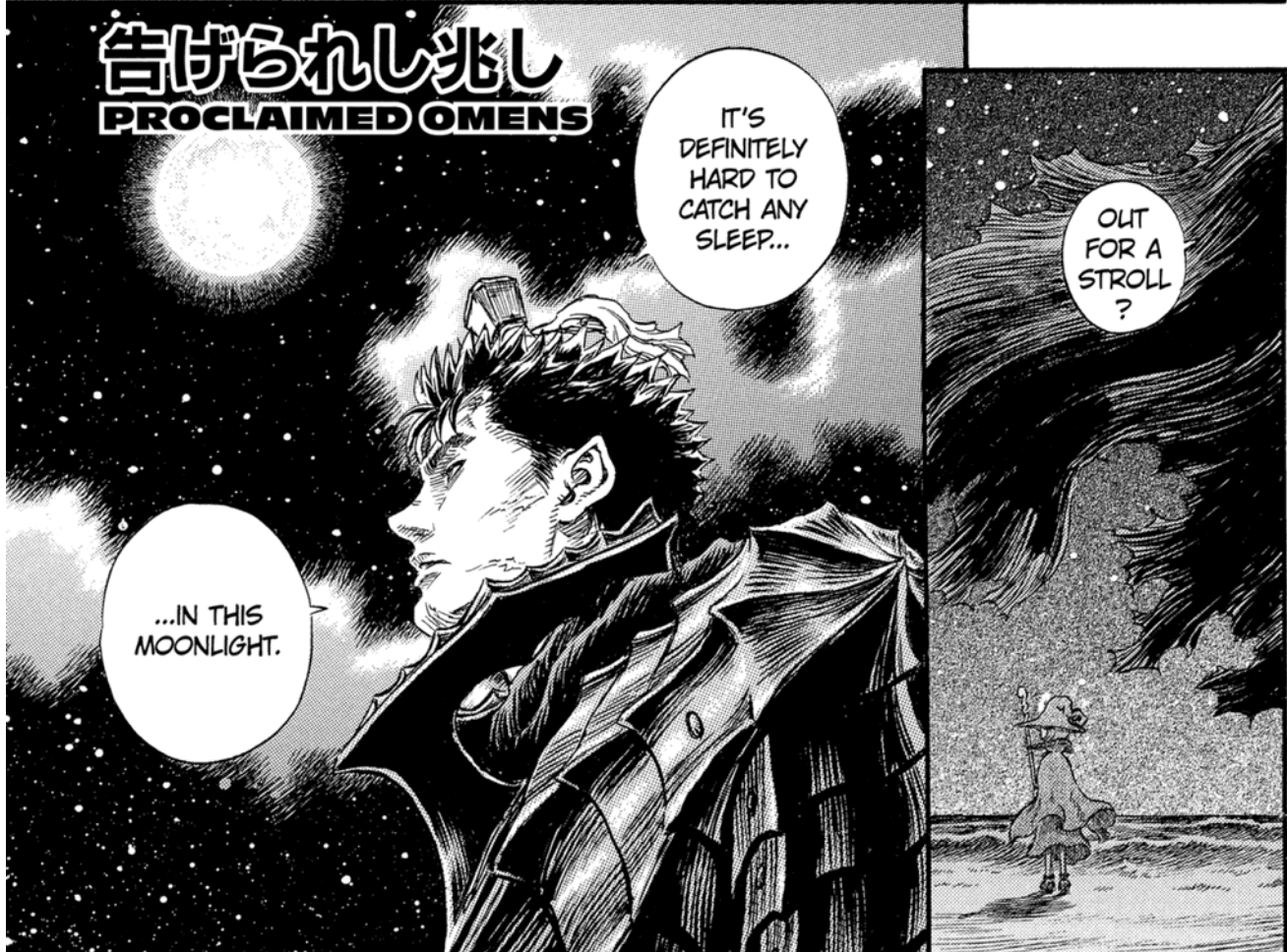


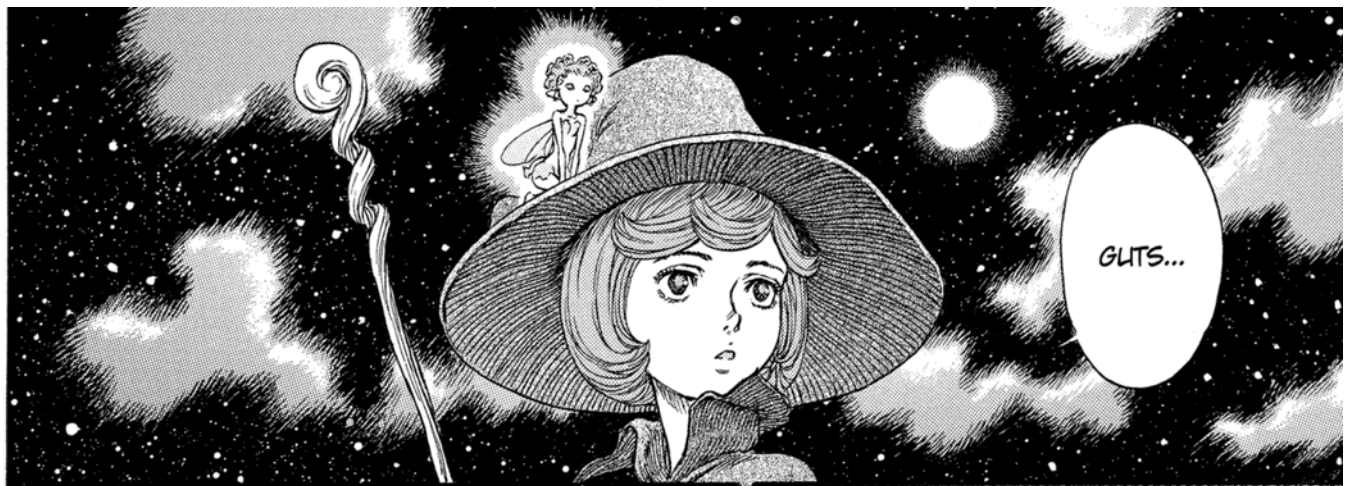
告げられし兆し PROCLAIMED OMENS

IT'S
DEFINITELY
HARD TO
CATCH ANY
SLEEP...

...IN THIS
MOONLIGHT.

OUT
FOR A
STROLL
?



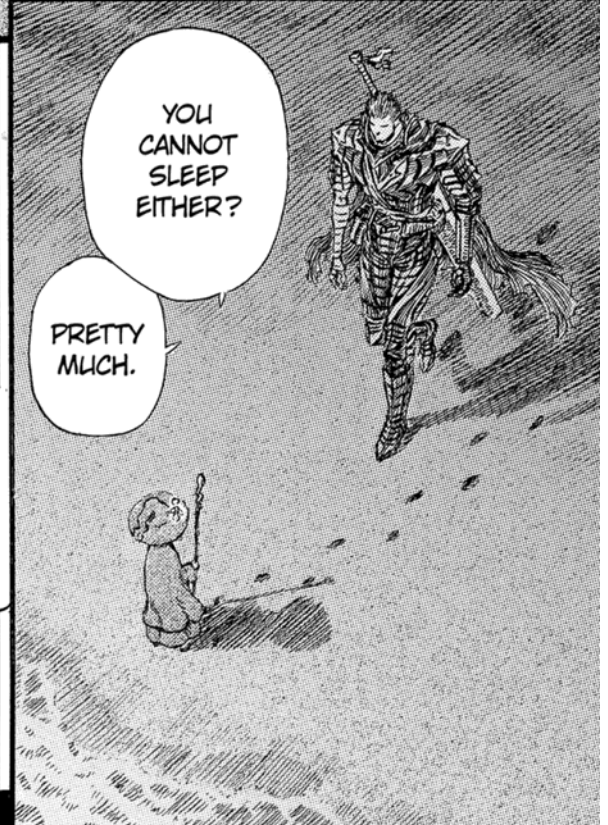


GLITS...



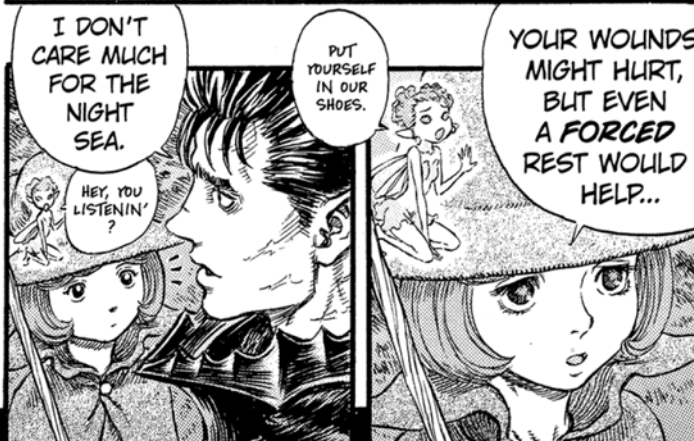
HABIT.
I JUST
CAN'T
RELAX
WITHOUT
IT.

WHY
MUST YOU
WEAR YOUR
SWORD? IT
WILL OVERTAX
YOU.



YOU
CANNOT
SLEEP
EITHER?

PRETTY
MUCH.



I DON'T
CARE MUCH
FOR THE
NIGHT
SEA.

PUT
YOURSELF
IN OUR
SHOES.

YOUR WOUNDS
MIGHT HURT,
BUT EVEN
A **FORCED**
REST WOULD
HELP...

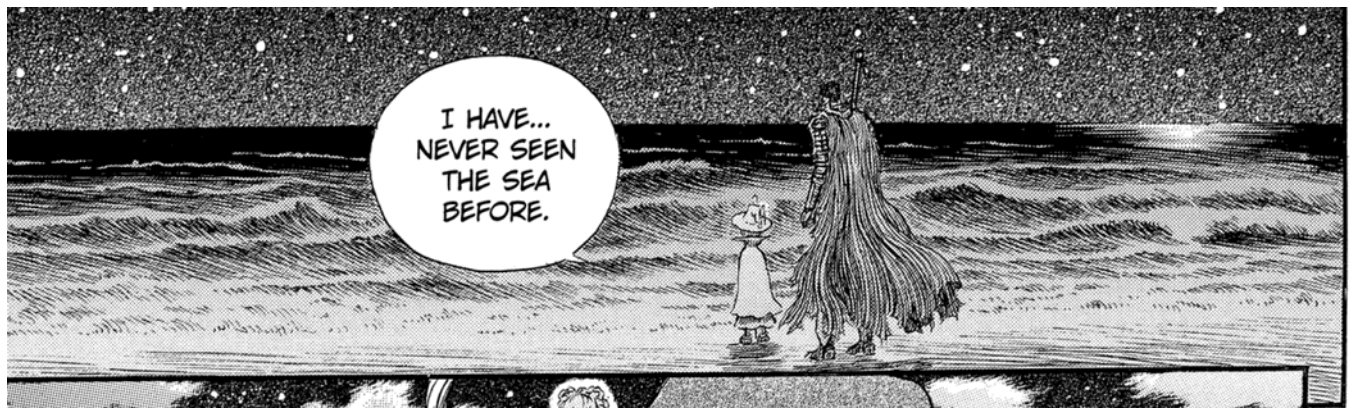
HEY, YOU
LISTENIN'?



...YOU'LL BE
SUCKED TO
THE BOTTOM
OF THOSE
PITCH-BLACK
SWELLS.

WHEN
YOU
STARE
OUT AT
IT...

...IT
GETS TO
FEELIN'
LIKE...



I HAVE...
NEVER SEEN
THE SEA
BEFORE.



SHE SAID IT
LEADS TO
THE ASTRAL
WORLD.

MY
MISTRESS
SPOKE
OF IT.



SUCH A
PLACE
MUST BE
CONNECTED
TO THE
ASTRAL
WORLD,
SHE SAID.

BEAUTIFUL,
GRACEFUL,
OMINOUS,
AND
DREADFUL.

A SPECTACLE
THAT TOUCHES
EVERYONE'S
HEARTSTRINGS
IN SUCH A
WAY.



...STANDING
AT THE SEASIDE
LIKE THIS,
I UNDERSTAND
WHAT SHE MEANT,
FOR THE
FIRST TIME.

ALL I DID
AT THE
TIME WAS
IMAGINE IT,
BUT...



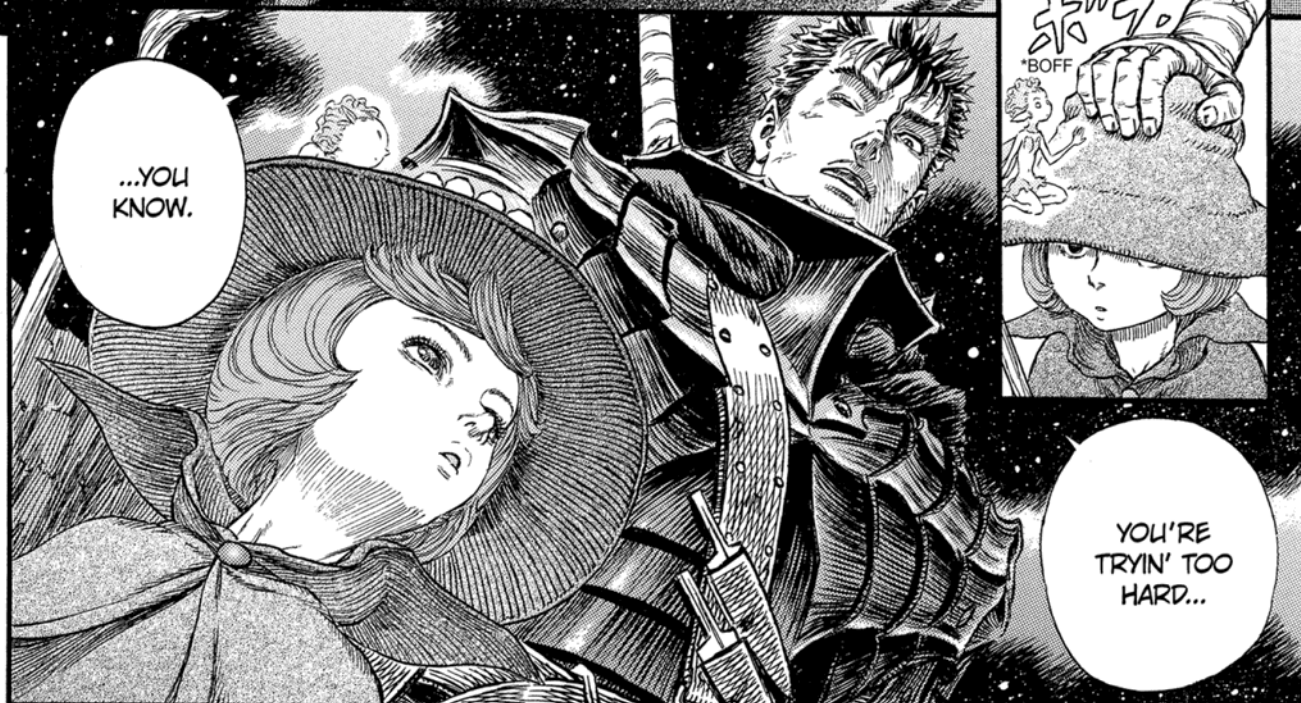
THOUGH
IT'S BEEN BUT
SEVERAL DAYS
SINCE THEN,
IT FEELS LIKE
I'VE COME A
VERY LONG WAY.

I'M NOW
IN A PLACE
I DON'T
RECOGNIZE.



I'VE SET
OUT...

...UPON A
JOURNEY
WITHOUT
RETURN.



...YOU
KNOW.

YOU'RE
TRYIN' TOO
HARD...



SO CLEVERLY
SET IN YOUR OWN
WAYS, WORRYIN'
ABOUT EVERYONE
BUT YOURSELF.

YOU ONLY
DISTRACT
YOURSELF
LIKE THAT...

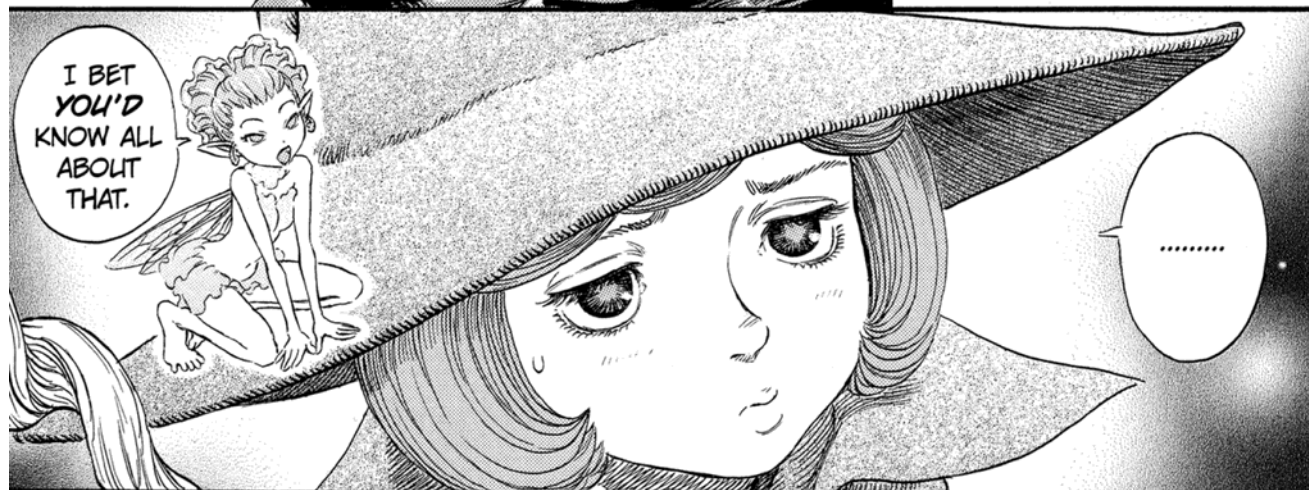


...YOU'LL
BE OLD
BEFORE
YOUR TIME.



IF YOU
KEEP THAT
LIP NOW
AS A KID...

I-I
WOULD
NEVER...!



I BET
YOU'D
KNOW ALL
ABOUT
THAT.

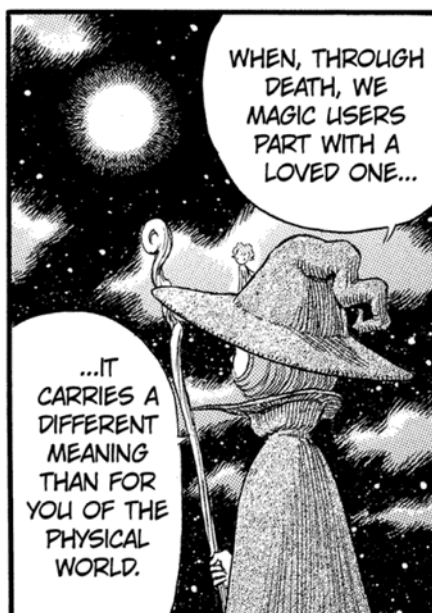
.....



...BUT AN
EMERGENCE
INTO A NEW,
GREAT
EXISTENCE...
IT IS
NEVER...

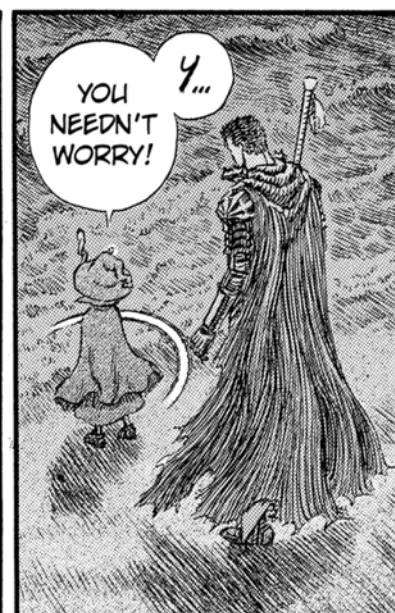
TO US,
WHO LIVE
IN BOTH
WORLDS,
DEATH IS
NOT AN
END...

SCHIERKE
...



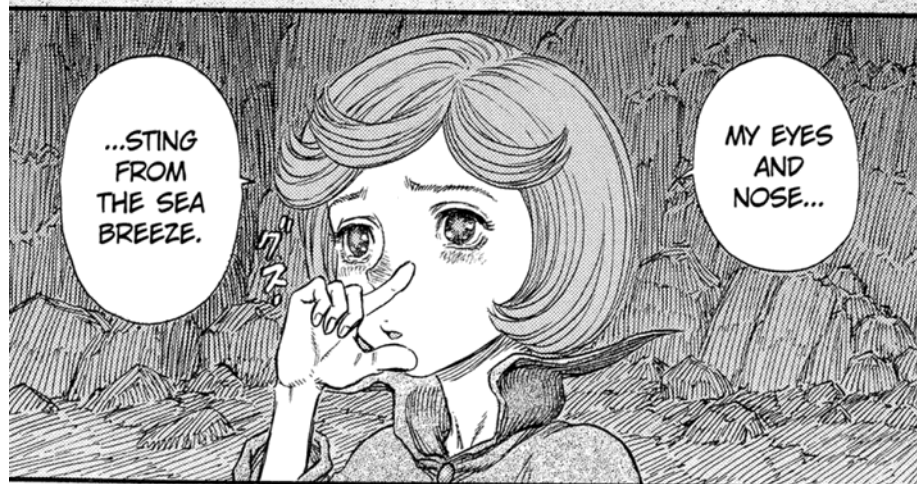
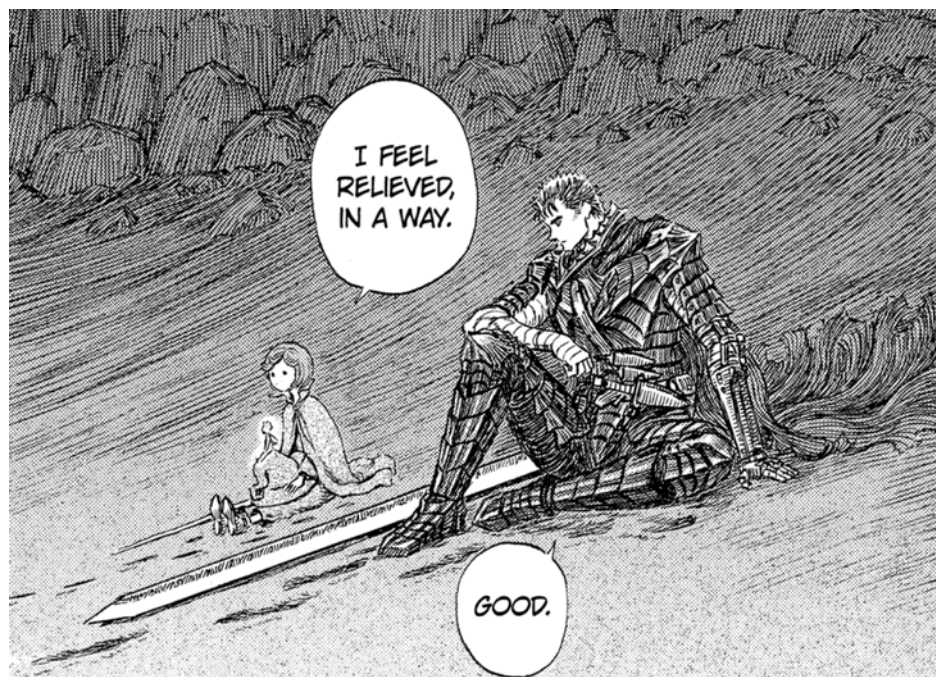
WHEN, THROUGH
DEATH, WE
MAGIC USERS
PART WITH A
LOVED ONE...

...IT
CARRIES A
DIFFERENT
MEANING
THAN FOR
YOU OF THE
PHYSICAL
WORLD.

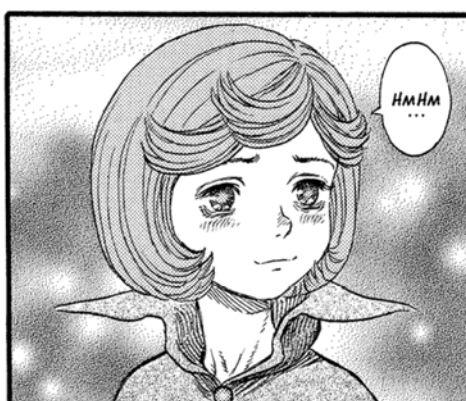


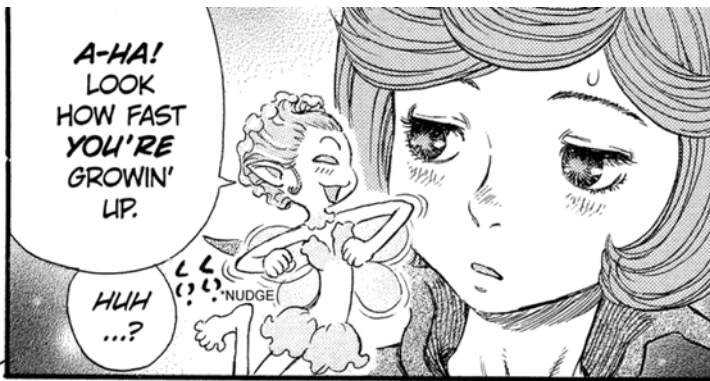
YOU
NEEDN'T
WORRY!

4...



*FX: SNFF





A-HA!
LOOK
HOW FAST
YOU'RE
GROWIN'
UP.

HUH
...?

NUDGE

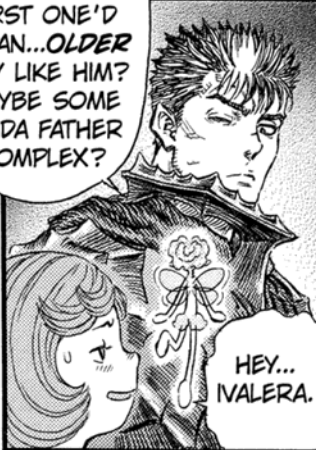
ONE'S A
PUSHOVER
HOUSEMAID...
AND THE
OTHER'S...
OUT OF THE
QUESTION.
OH, AND A MONKEY
AT THAT.

BUT I GUESS
HE IS A
LOT BETTER
THAN THE
OTHER TWO.

NEVER WOULD
DA GUESSED
HER FIRST
ONE'D BE
AN...OLDER
GUY LIKE
HIM? MAYBE
SOME KINDA
FATHER
COMPLEX?

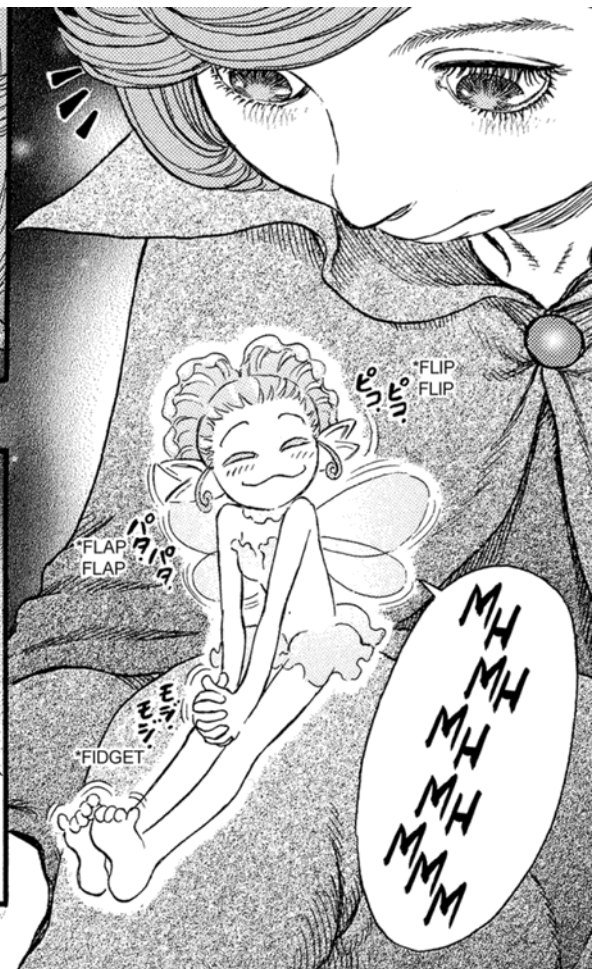
WHAT'RE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT ?!

*FX: STRUGGLE



HEY...
IVALERA.

*FX: TURN

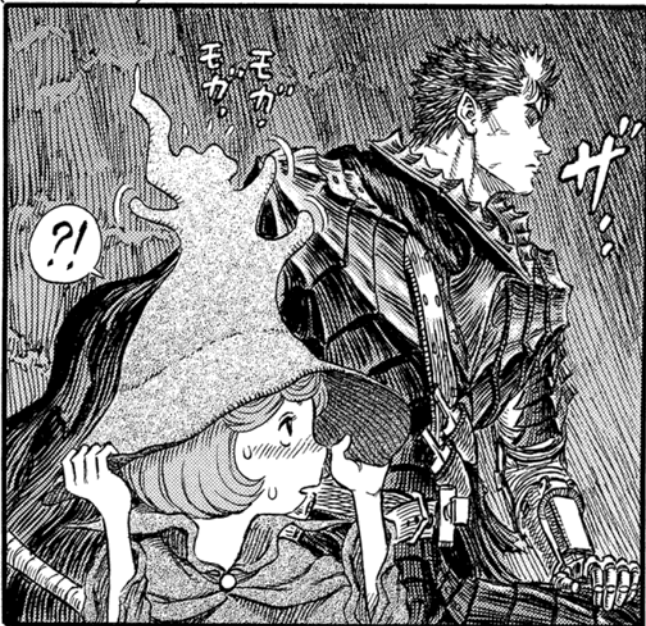


FLIP
FLIP

FLAP
FLAP

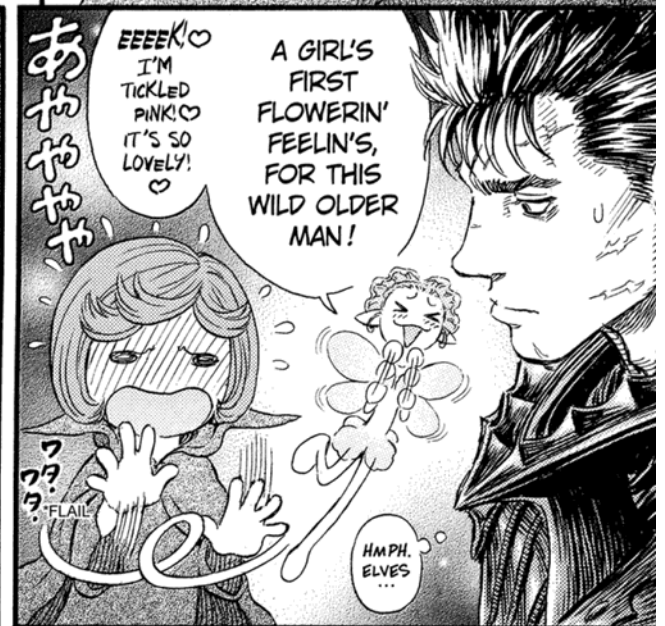
FIDGET

MH
MH
MH
MH
MH
MH
MH
MH



モカ
モカ

?!
ザ



EEEEK!
I'M
TICKLED
PINK!
IT'S SO
LOVELY!

A GIRL'S
FIRST
FLOWERIN'
FEELIN'S,
FOR THIS
WILD OLDER
MAN!

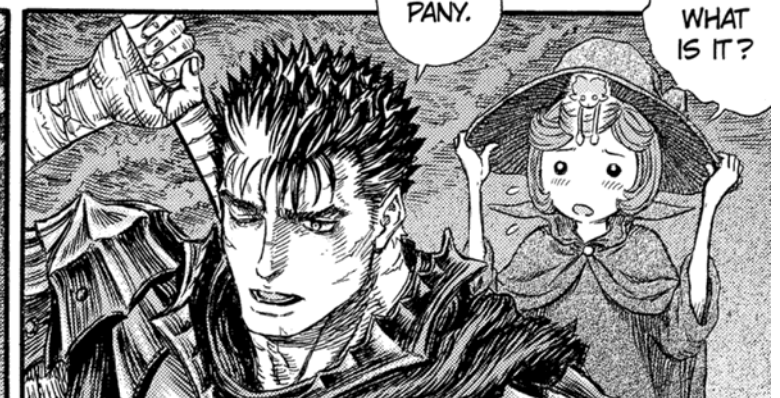
HMPH.
ELVES...

*FX: NO NO NO NO



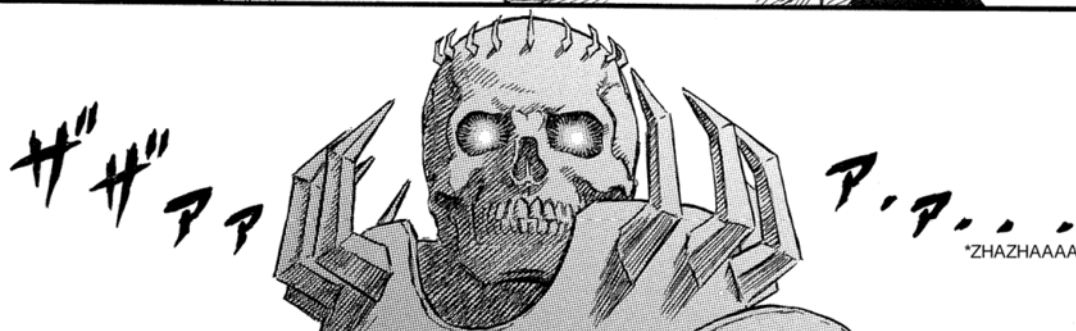
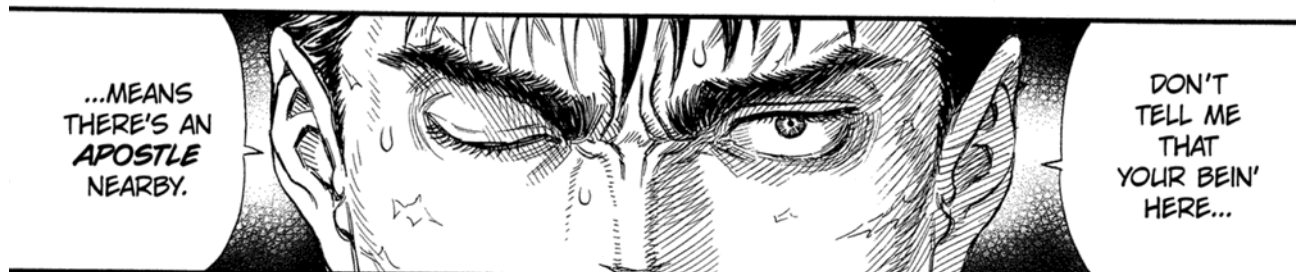
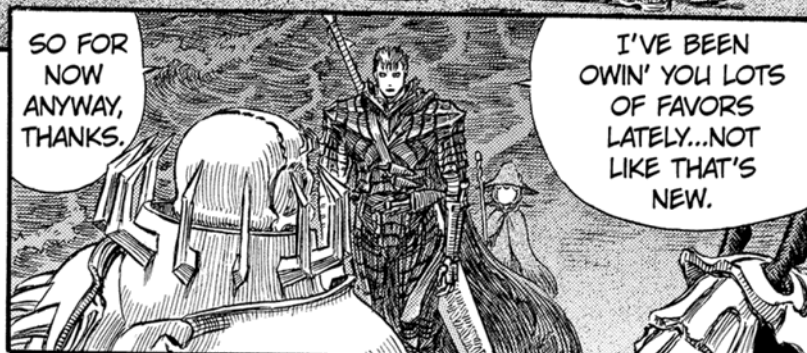
STILL
SURVIVIN',
HUH?

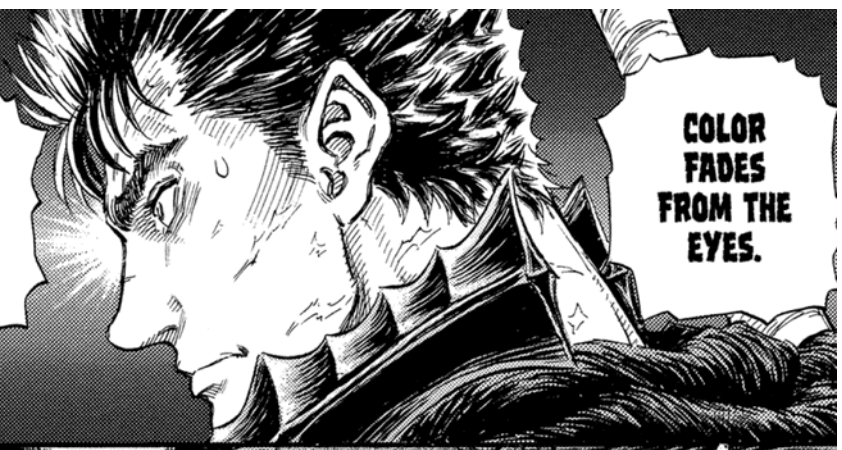
YOU.



COM-
PANY.

WH-
WHAT
IS IT?





**SHIVERING
PLAQUES THE
FINGERTIPS.**

**THE
TONGUE
LOSES
TASTE.**

**COLOR
FADES
FROM THE
EYES.**



**HOW'D
YOU
KNOW
THAT...?**

**WHA
...?!**



**IT'S AN
OMEN.**

.....



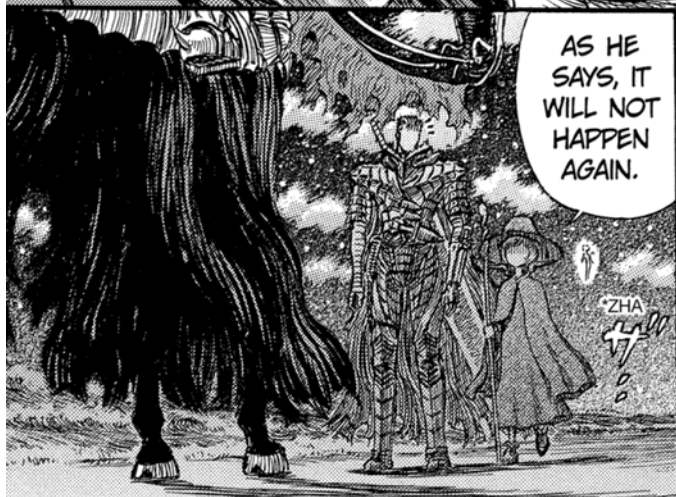
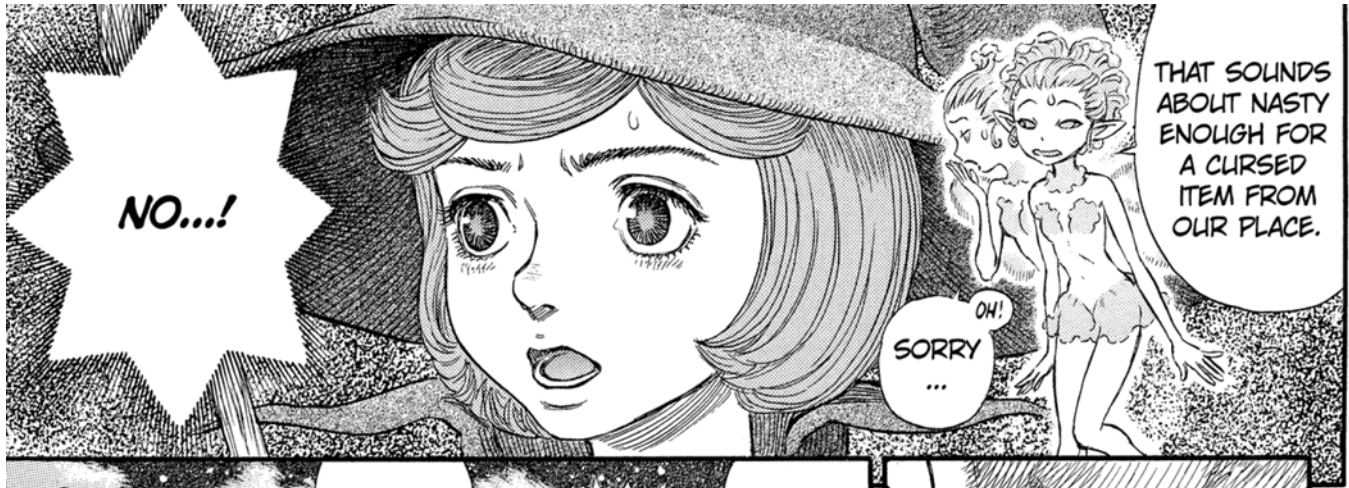
**YOU WILL
COME TO
LOSE MANY
THINGS.**

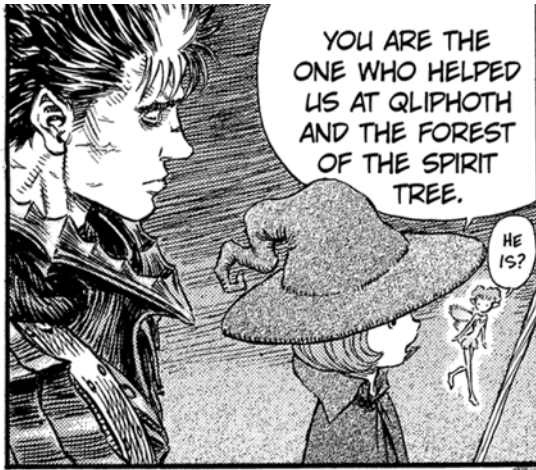
**WARMTH
...**

**VOICE
...**

**LIGHT
...**

**EACH TIME
YOU WEAR
THAT ARMOR
AND FIGHT
AS THE
BERSERKER...**





YOU ARE THE
ONE WHO HELPED
US AT QLIPHOTH
AND THE FOREST
OF THE SPIRIT
TREE.

HE
IS?



WHAT'S
WITH
YOU?!

...LET
THAT
HAPPEN.

I
WON'T...

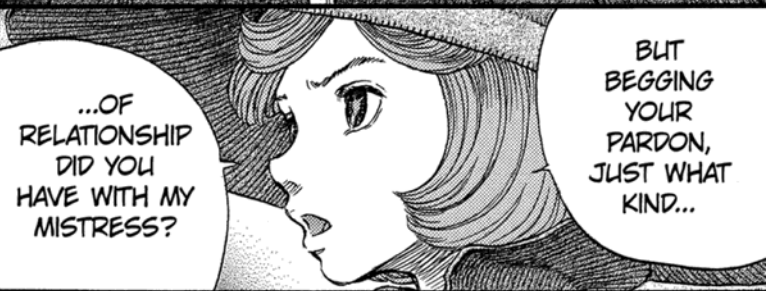


DON'T
STEAL MY
THUN-
DER.

UN-
NEEDED
HELP.

IN THAT
RESPECT,
YOU WERE
MOST
HELPFUL.

*FX: BOW



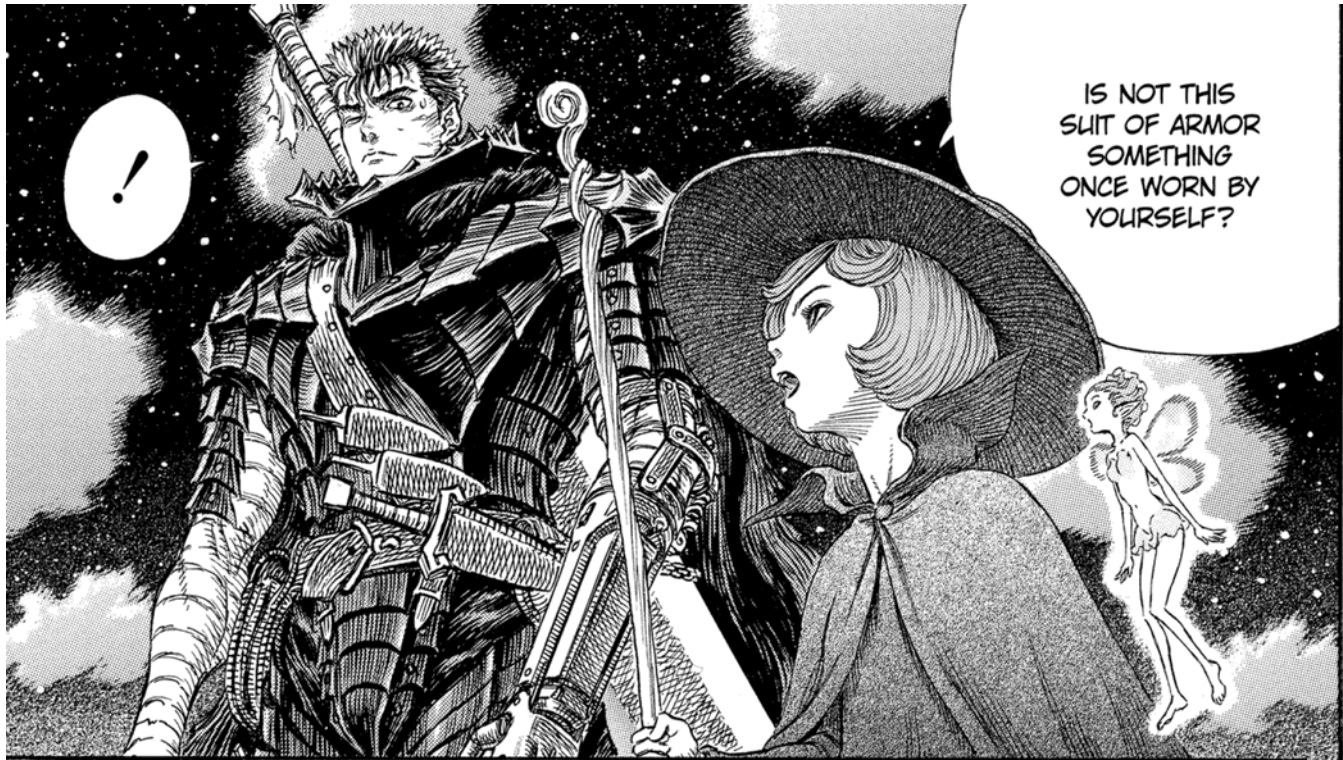
...OF
RELATIONSHIP
DID YOU
HAVE WITH MY
MISTRESS?

BUT
BEGGING
YOUR
PARDON,
JUST WHAT
KIND...



...YET SHE
ALWAYS GAZED
UPON IT
SOMEWHAT
LONGINGLY.

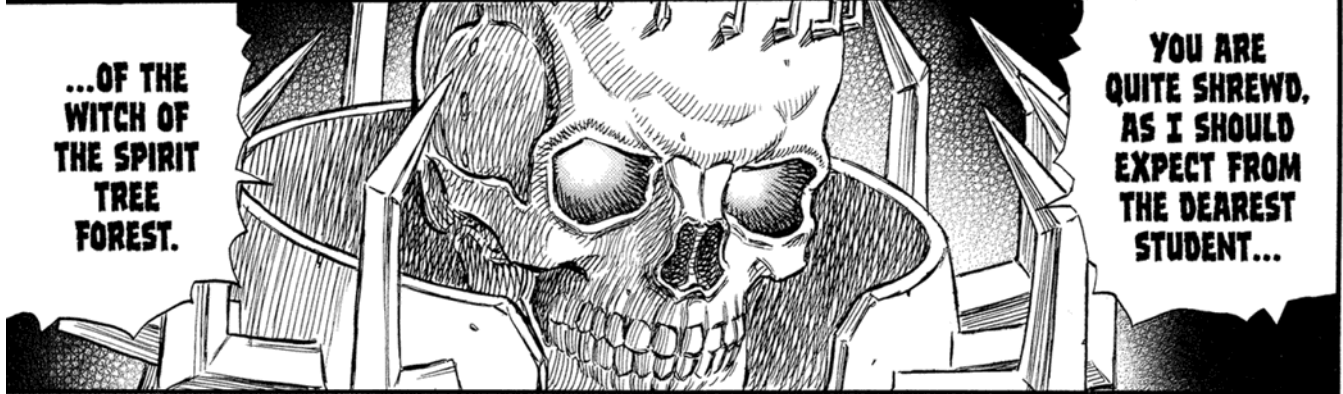
SHE CLAIMED
THE BERSERKER
ARMOR WAS A
VERY DANGEROUS
FETISH AND
PRUDENTLY APPLIED
A SEAL TO IT...



IS NOT THIS
SUIT OF ARMOR
SOMETHING
ONCE WORN BY
YOURSELF?

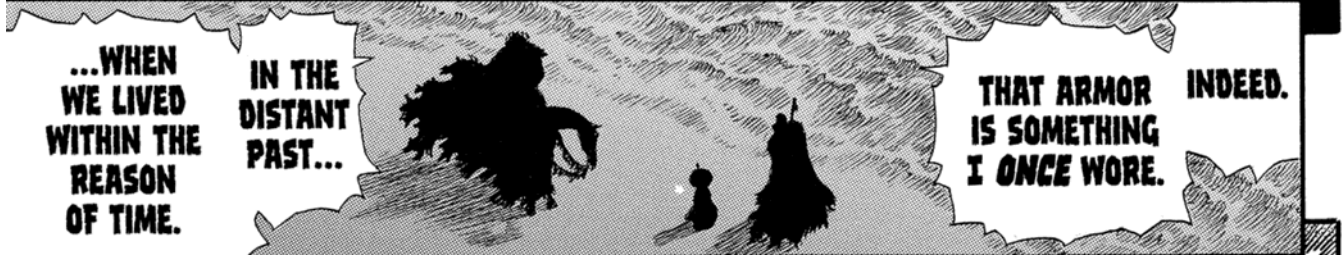


ZHA



...OF THE
WITCH OF
THE SPIRIT
TREE
FOREST.

YOU ARE
QUITE SHREWD,
AS I SHOULD
EXPECT FROM
THE DEAREST
STUDENT...

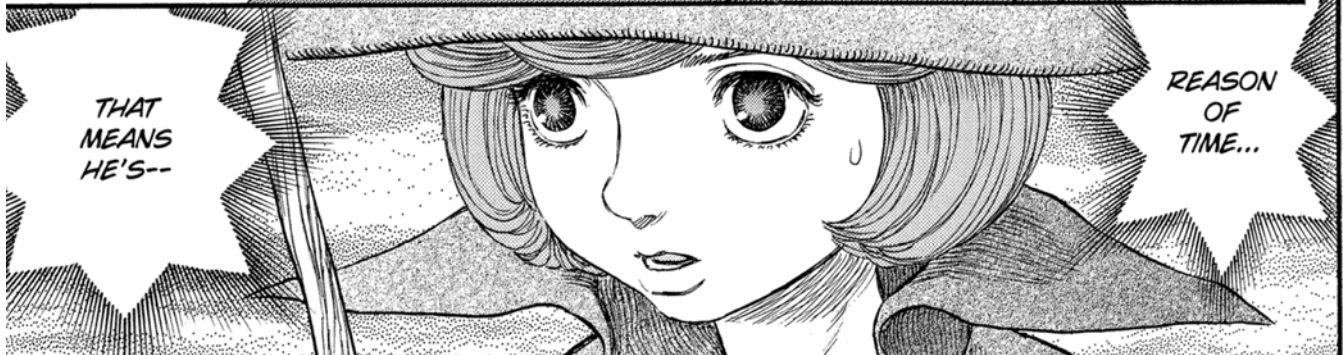


...WHEN
WE LIVED
WITHIN THE
REASON
OF TIME.

IN THE
DISTANT
PAST...

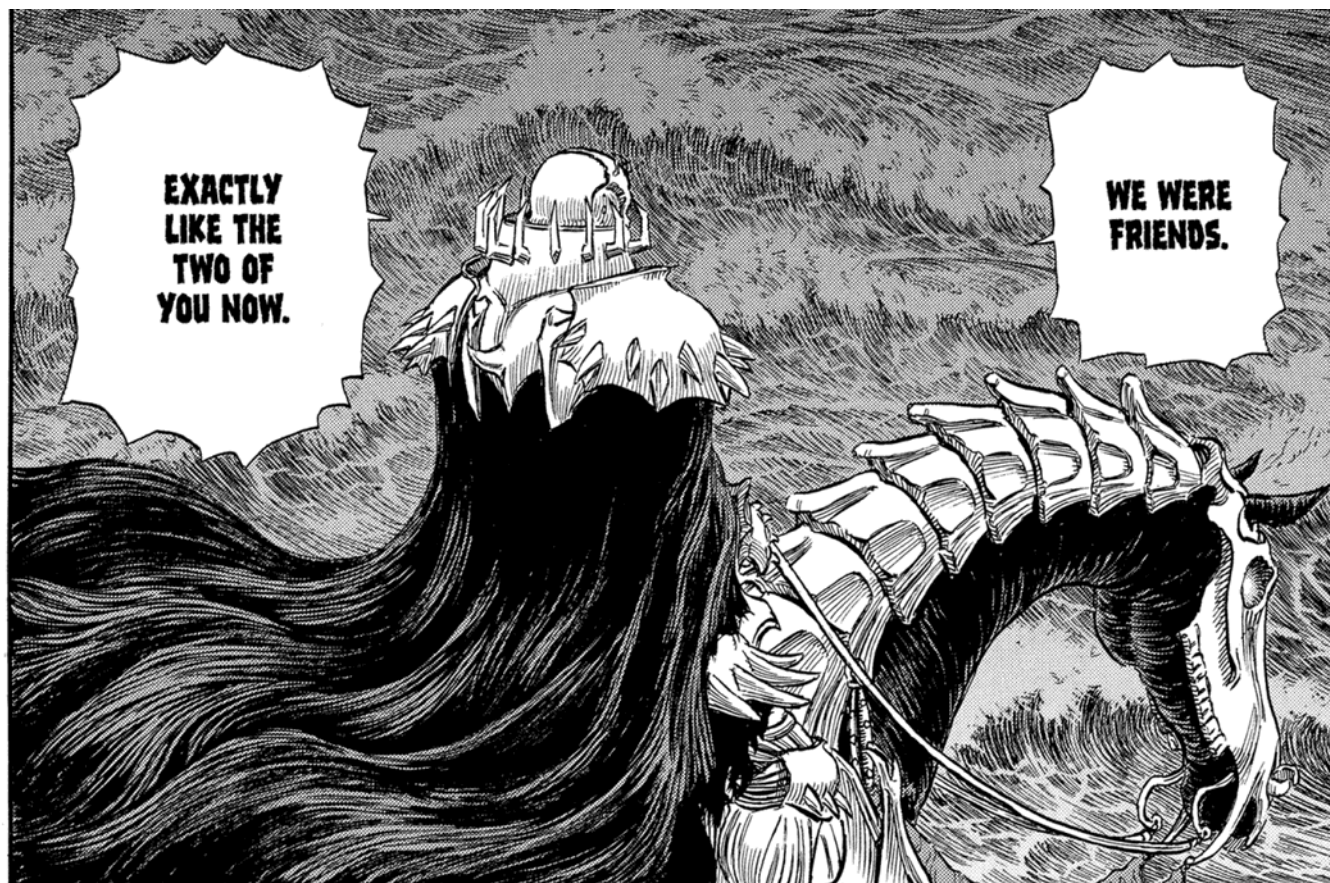
THAT ARMOR
IS SOMETHING
I ONCE WORE.

INDEED.



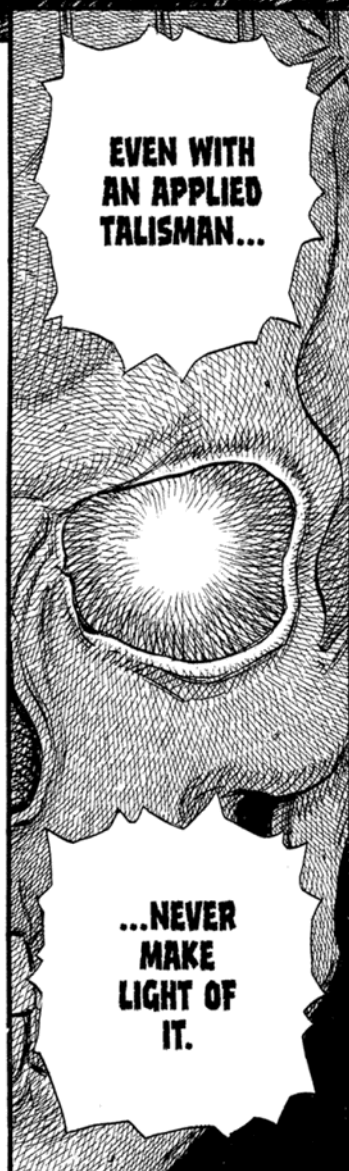
THAT
MEANS
HE'S--

REASON
OF
TIME...



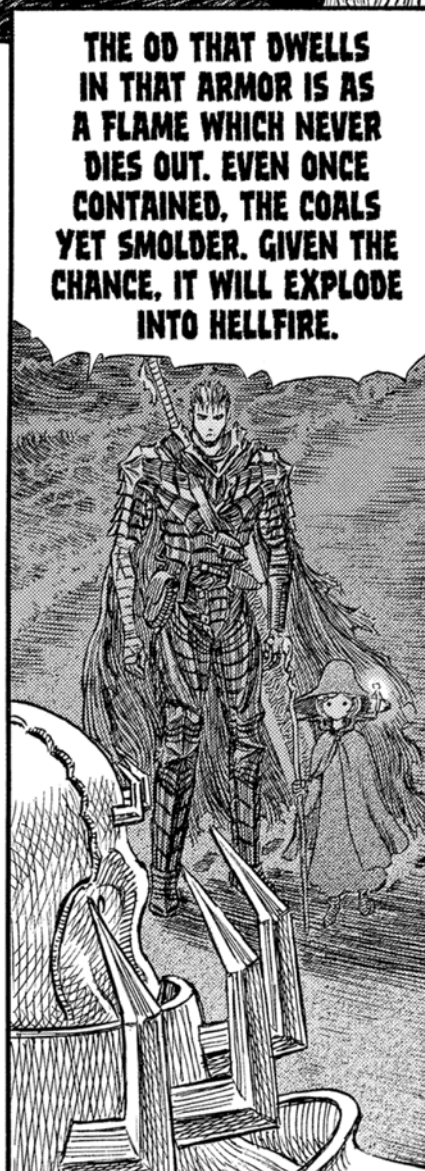
**EXACTLY
LIKE THE
TWO OF
YOU NOW.**

**WE WERE
FRIENDS.**

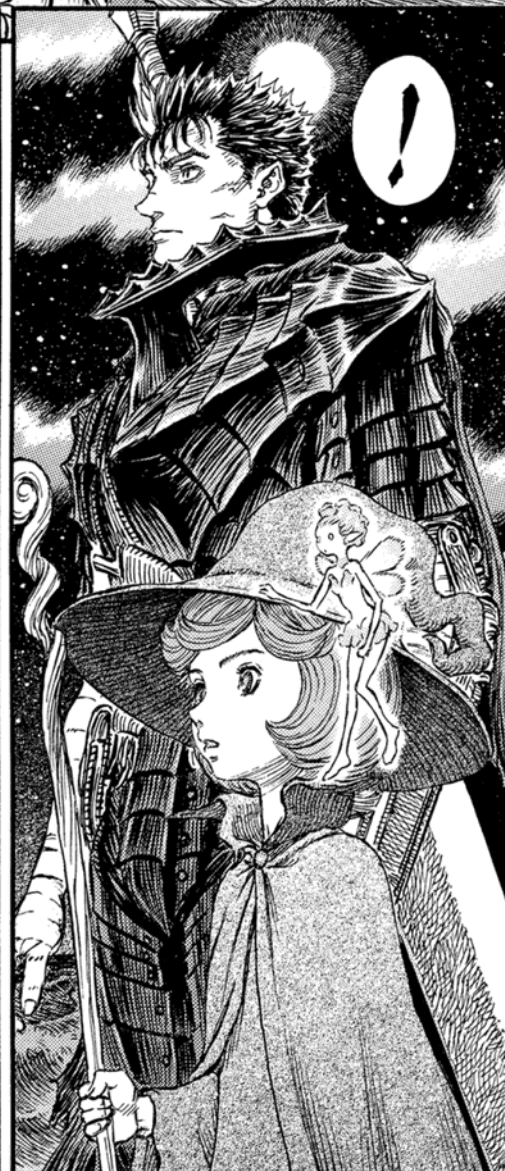


**EVEN WITH
AN APPLIED
TALISMAN...**

**...NEVER
MAKE
LIGHT OF
IT.**



**THE OD THAT DWELLS
IN THAT ARMOR IS AS
A FLAME WHICH NEVER
DIES OUT. EVEN ONCE
CONTAINED, THE COALS
YET SMOLDER. GIVEN THE
CHANCE, IT WILL EXPLODE
INTO HELLFIRE.**



**...WISH TO
CONTINUE
EXISTING AS
A HUMAN,
THAT IS.**

IF YOU...

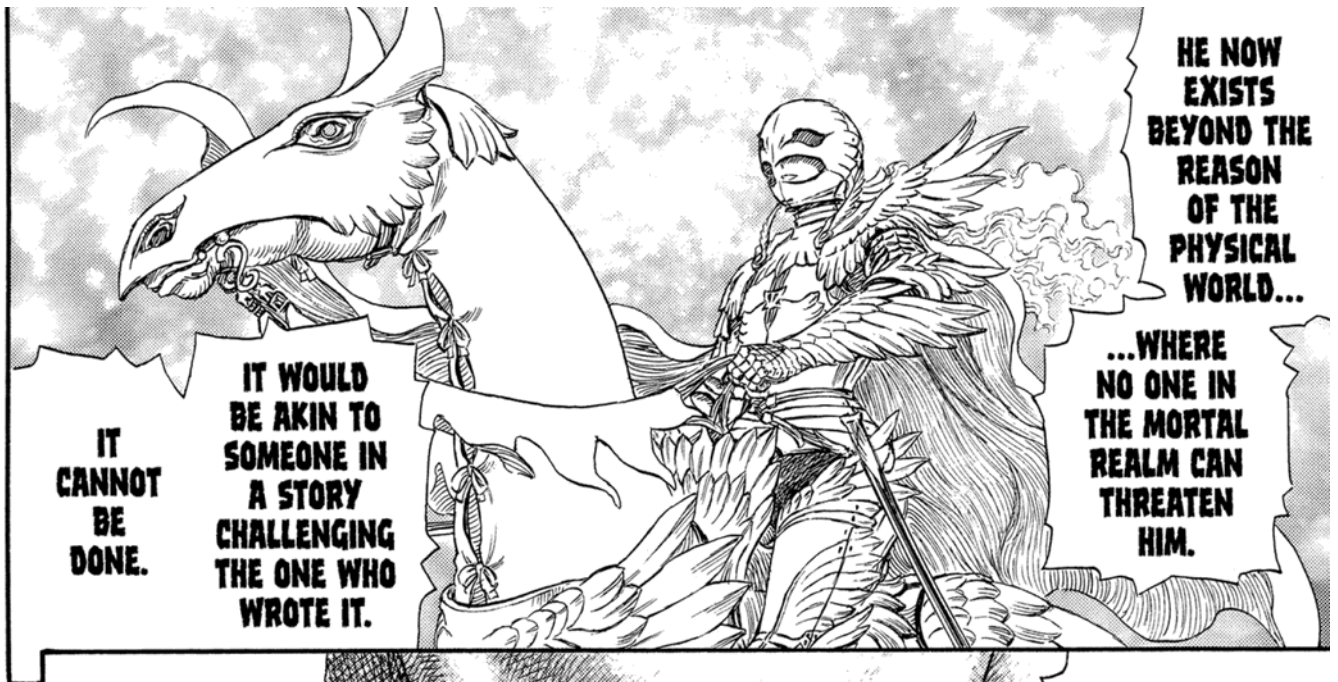
**WHY'D THE
APOSTLES
ATTACK THE
OLD LADY'S
MANSION?**

**WHY'D
THEY...**

**THANKS FOR
THE KIND WORDS.
WHILE YOU'RE
AT IT, COULD YOU
FILL ME IN?**

**YOU
SHOULD
KNOW IT
BETTER
THAN
ANYONE.**

**THE
HAWK HAS
BUT ONE
GOAL.**

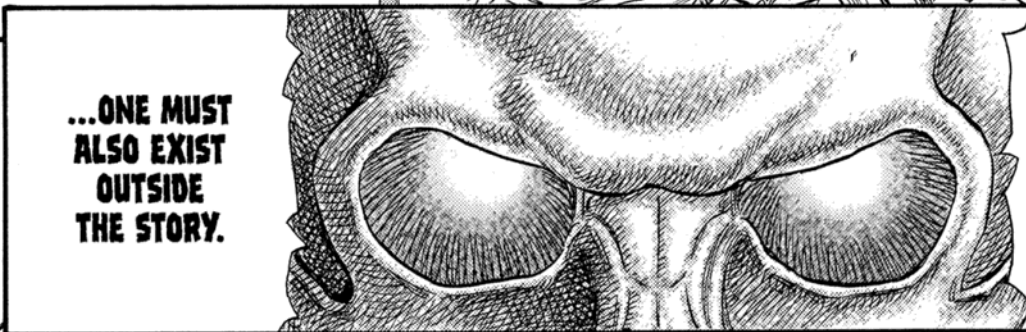


HE NOW
EXISTS
BEYOND THE
REASON
OF THE
PHYSICAL
WORLD...

...WHERE
NO ONE IN
THE MORTAL
REALM CAN
THREATEN
HIM.

IT
CANNOT
BE
DONE.

IT WOULD
BE AKIN TO
SOMEONE IN
A STORY
CHALLENGING
THE ONE WHO
WROTE IT.



...ONE MUST
ALSO EXIST
OUTSIDE
THE STORY.

TO
STAND AND
CONFRONT
THE HAWK...



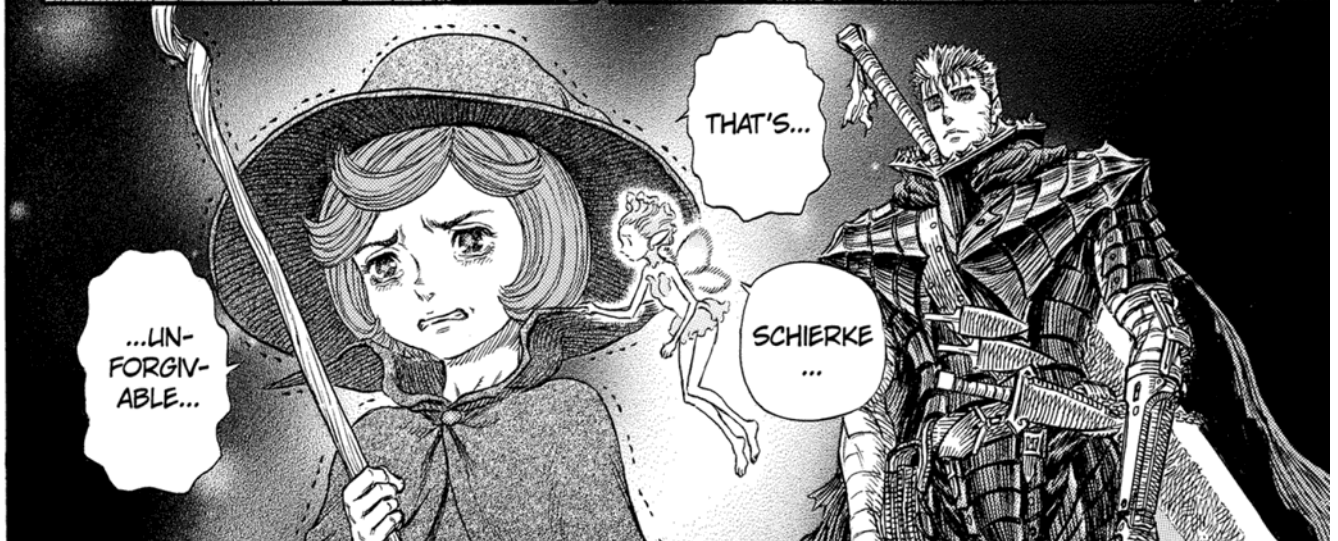
...TO BE
MORE OF AN
OBSTACLE THAN
A HOST OF TEN
THOUSAND.

HE MUST
HAVE
CONSID-
ERED ONE
WITCH...



ALL THE
MORE SO AS
A POWERFUL
WIELDER
OF MAGIC.

THEN THE
REASON MY
MISTRESS
WAS...?!



...UN-
FORGIV-
ABLE...

THAT'S...

SCHIERKE
...

**...YOU'LL SOON
ENCOUNTER
THE APOSTLES
AGAIN.**

**IF YOU
CONTINUE ON
WITH YOUR
JOURNEY...**

!



**AND
THEN...**

**...PERHAPS
LEADING
THEM
WILL BE...**

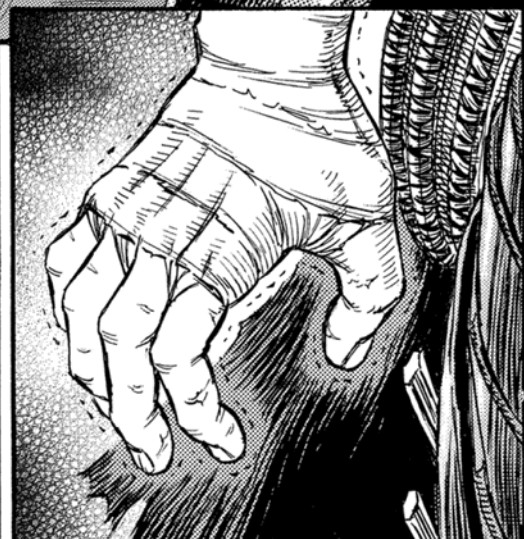
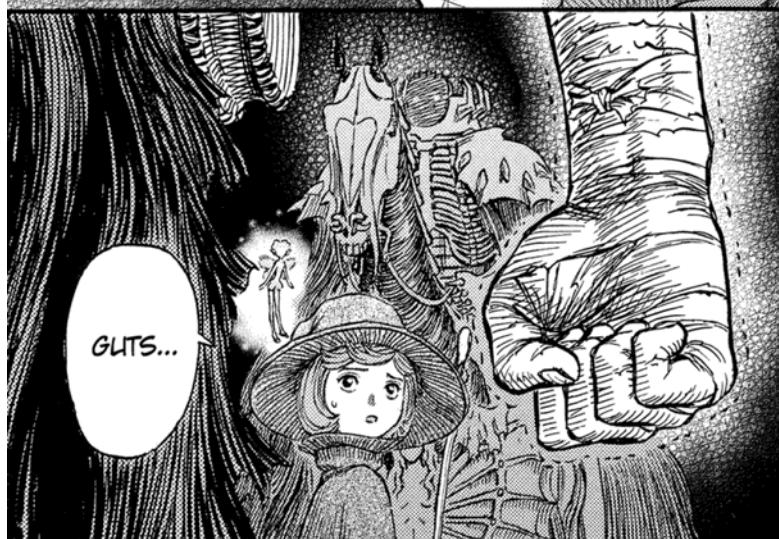
**WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?!**



**...THE
HAWK.**



GLTS...

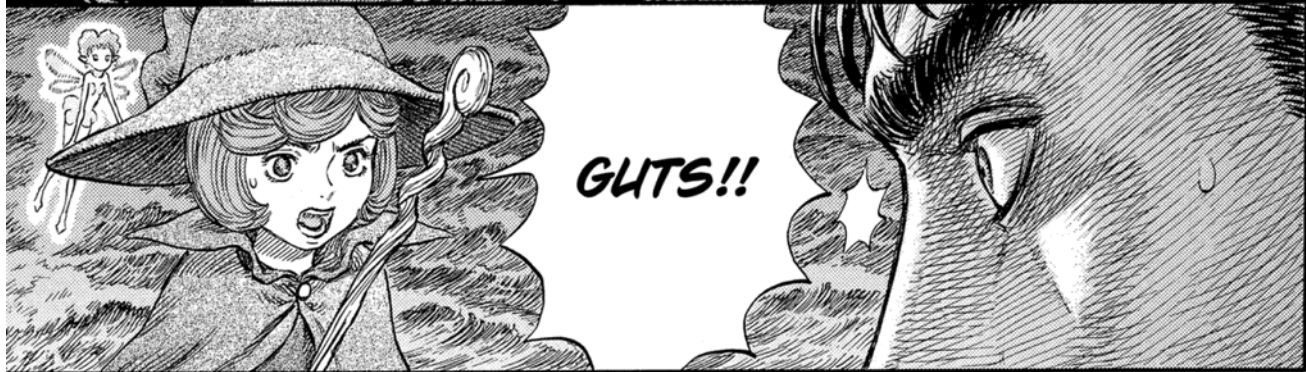




ドゥン

*BATHUMP







**...IN THE
INTER-
STICE.**

**IT'S YOUR
FATE AS A
MAN WHO
STANDS...**

**HOWEVER,
I OFFER
THIS HOPE.**

**TO
PROTECT,
OR TO
CONTEND?**

**YOU WILL
CONTINUE
TO QUERY
YOUR OWN
SOUL.**

HE IS
THE KING OF
THE ELVES,
REPUTED IN
LEGEND TO
HAVE IMMENSE
POWER...

KING
HANA-
FUBUKU
?!

**ELFHELM,
THE
LAND YOU
SEEK.**

**THE
LORD OF
THE ELVES
WHO SITS
THERE...**

I HAVE
HEARD
THAT NAME.

YOU
KNOW
HIM?

...AND THAT
NAME IS
RECORDED
NOT ONLY IN
GRIMOIRES,
BUT ALSO
MANY
POEMS AND
STORIES.

WHO?
KIN-
SAN?

THAT
BASTARD
NEVER
SAID A
WORD...

**WITH HIS
POWERS AT
HAND...**

HOW CARELESS
OF ME... THAT THE
ONE GOVERNING
PUCK'S HOMELAND
WOULD BE SUCH
A HIGH ELF.

N-NO
WAY...
SAY IT
AIN'T
SO.

THAT LITTLE
CHESTNUT'S
KING
COULDN'T
BE...

FX: *SWAY

**...IT
MIGHT BE
POSSIBLE
...**

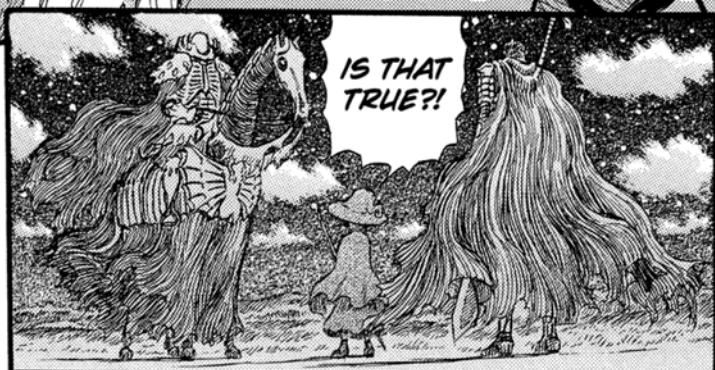
**...FOR YOUR
PARTNER...**

**...IS CALLED
KING
HANAFUBUKU.**



**...FOR THE
BRANDED
GIRL...**

**...TO
REGAIN
HER
MIND.**





**...COME
BACK...**



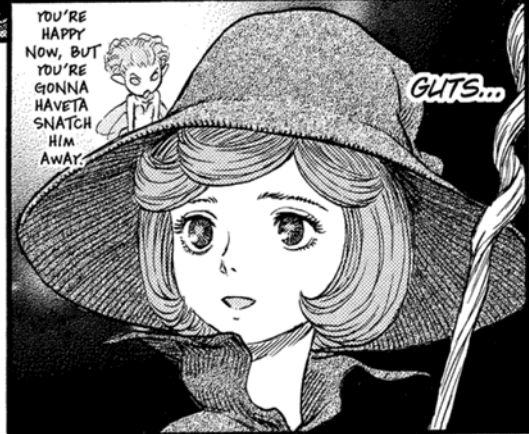
FOR
REAL...?

HAHA...



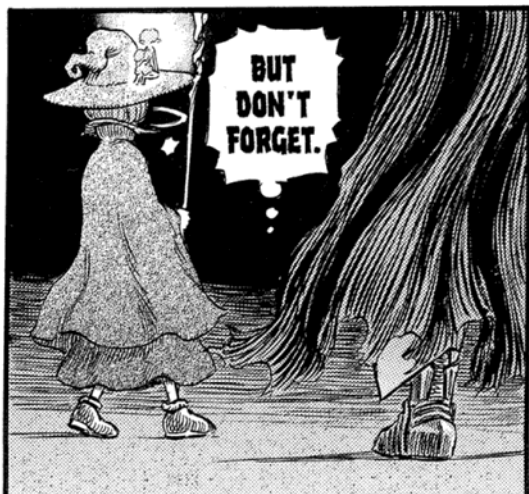
AND
MORE THAN
ANYTHING...

THAT'S
ONLY AFTER
YOU PASS
THROUGH
THE ORDEAL
THAT'S TO
BEFALL.



YOU'RE
HAPPY
NOW, BUT
YOU'RE
GONNA
HAVE TO
SNATCH
HIM
AWAY.

GLITS...



BUT
DON'T
FORGET.

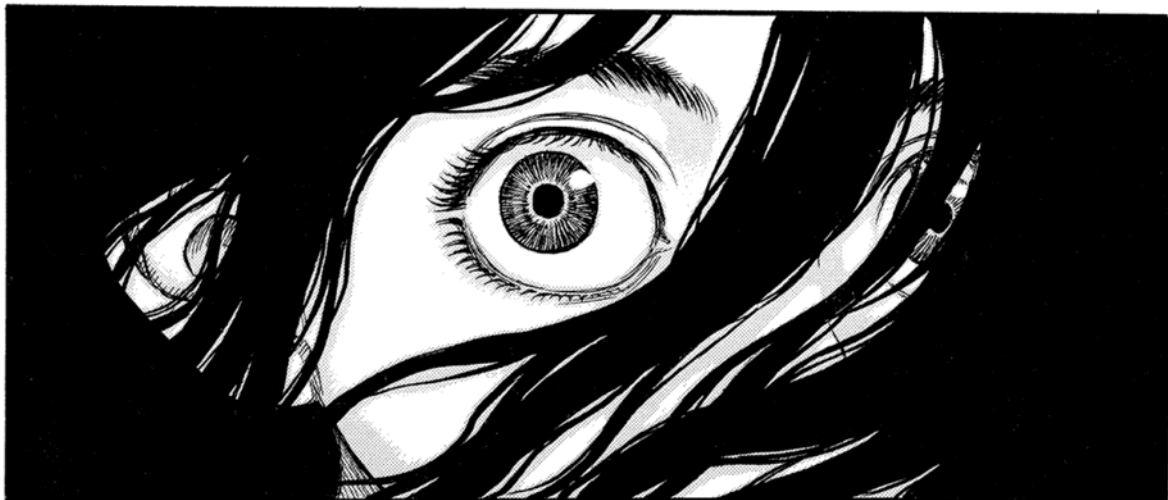


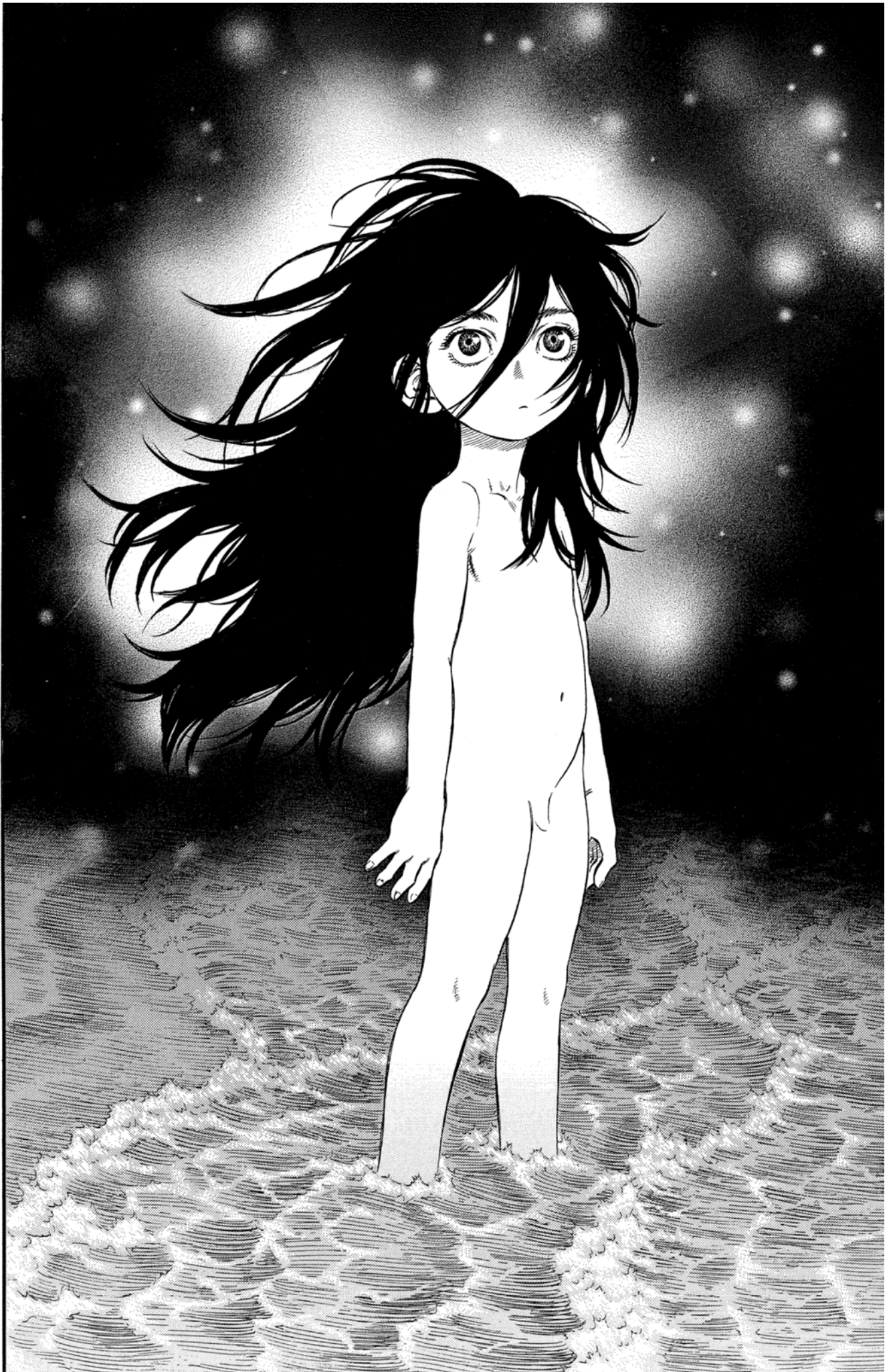
...THERE'S NO
GUARANTEE...

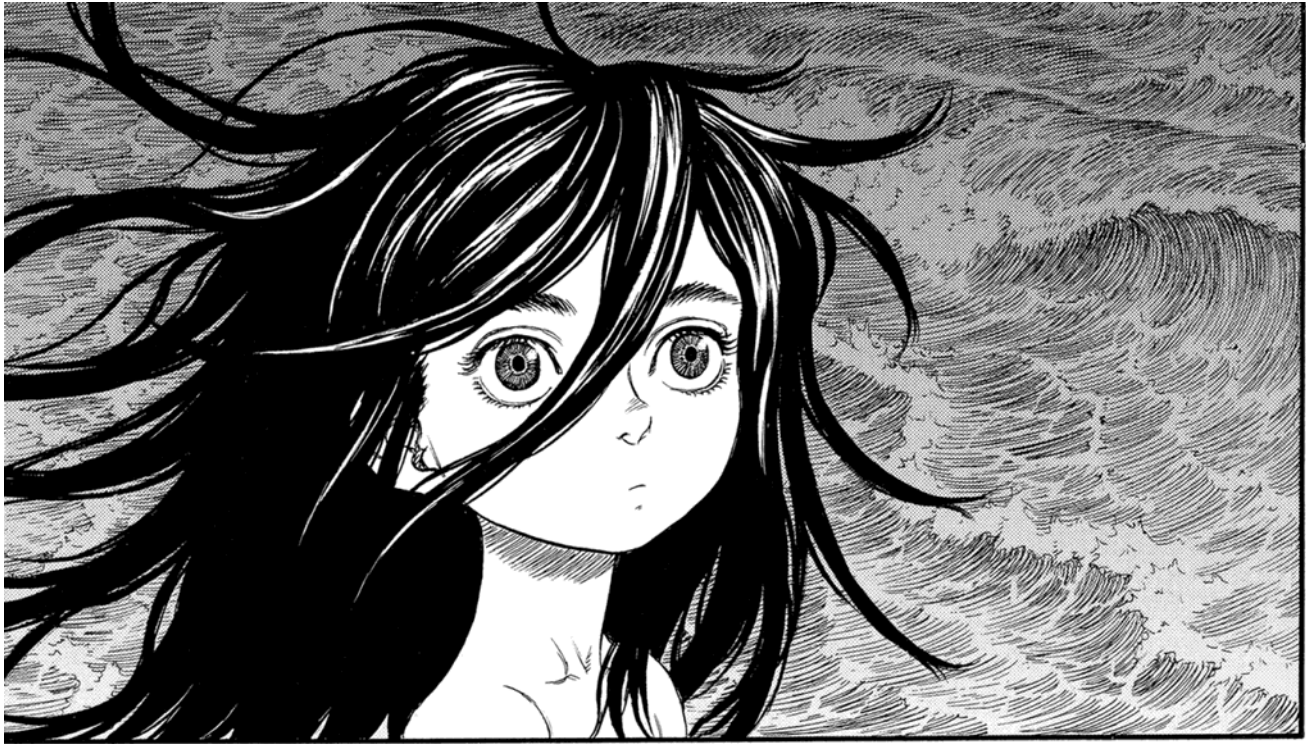
...YOUR WISH
WILL BE
HER WISH.

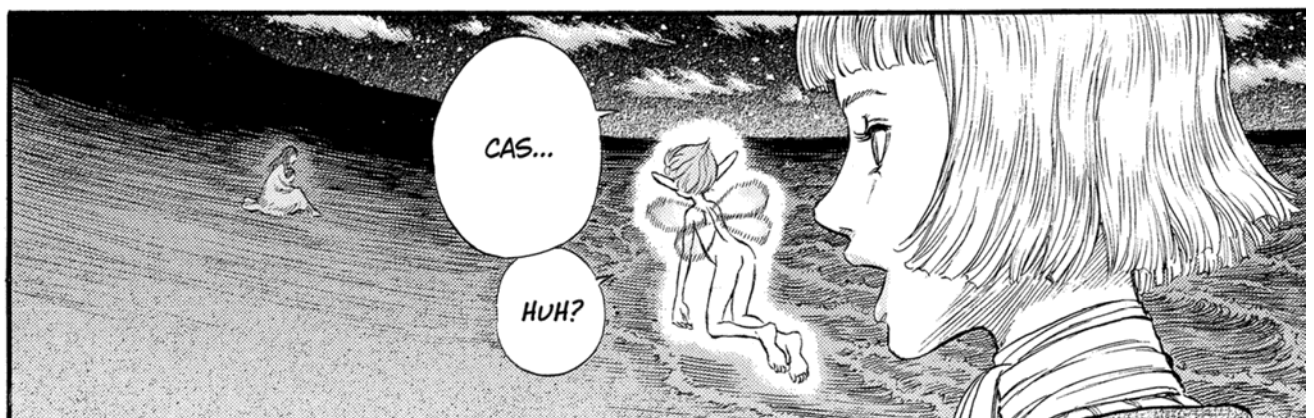
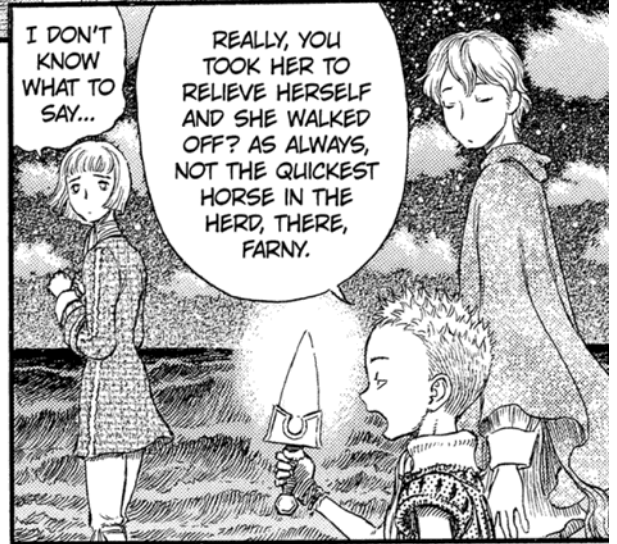
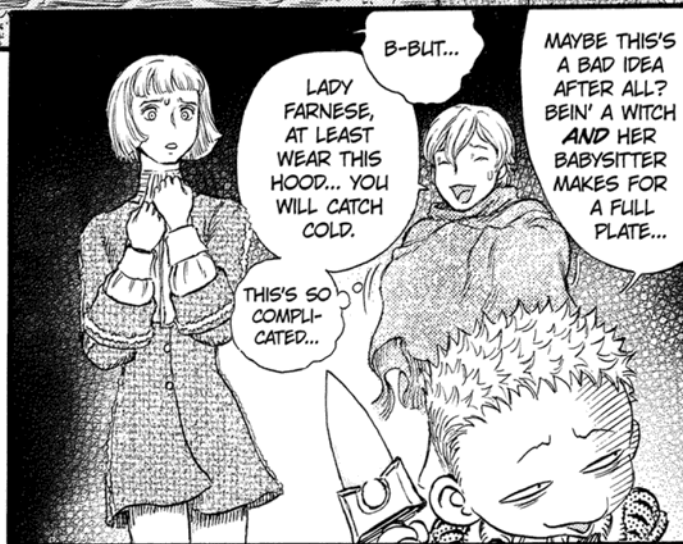
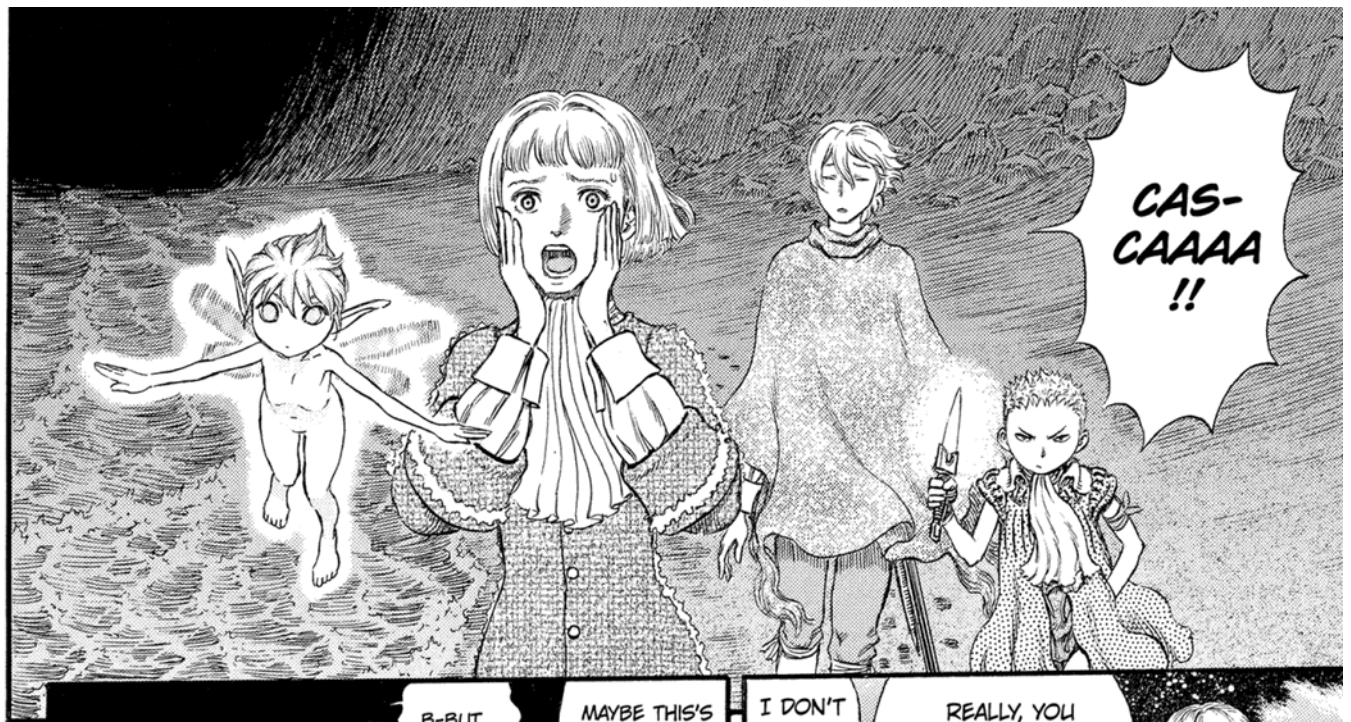


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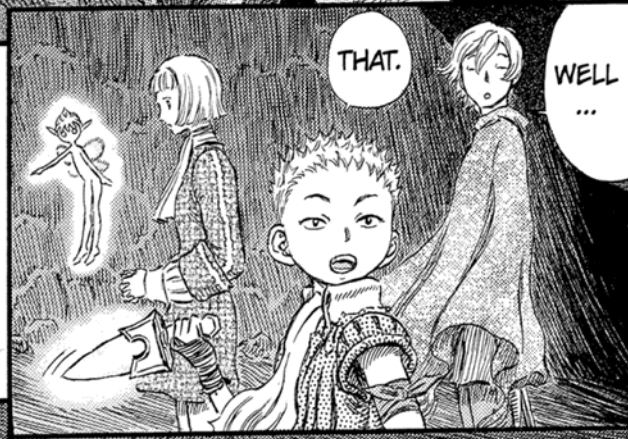
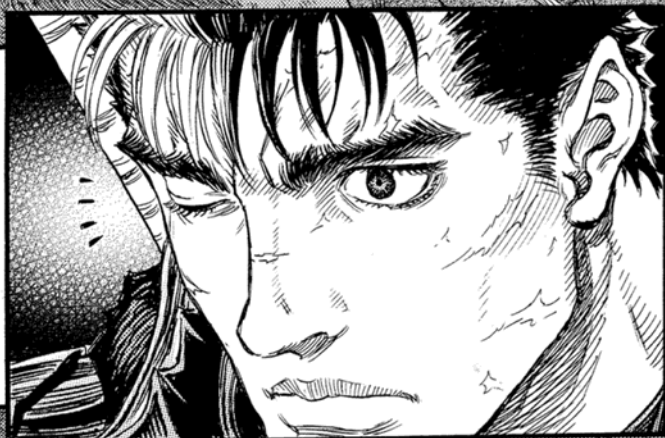






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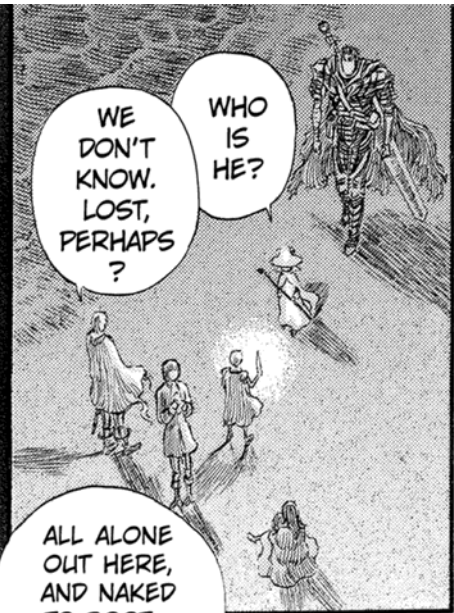






I SENSE A
MYSTERIOUS
OD.

WHAT
IS THIS
BOY?



WE
DON'T
KNOW.
LOST,
PERHAPS
?

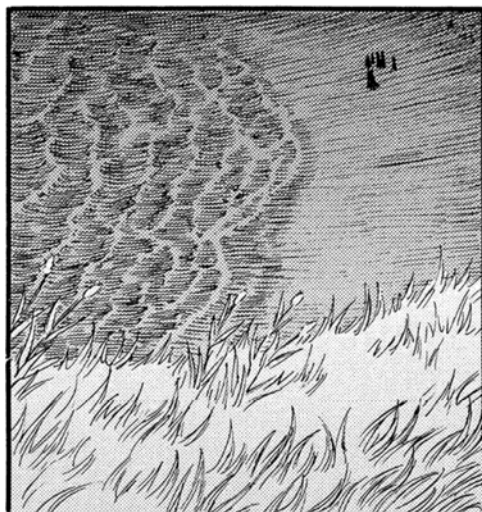
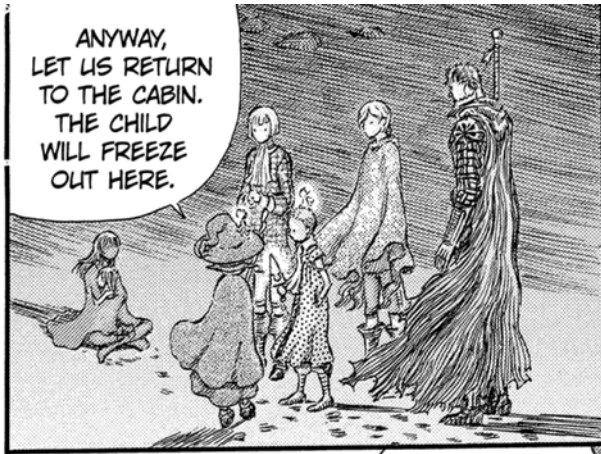
WHO
IS
HE?

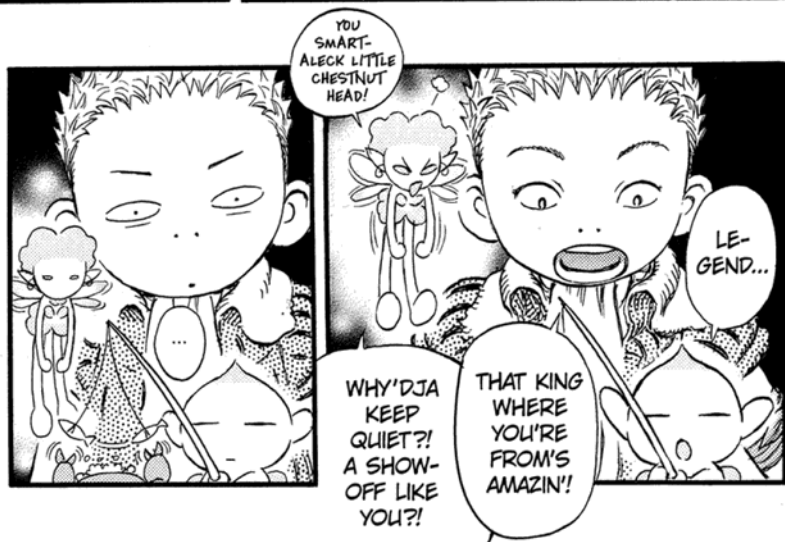
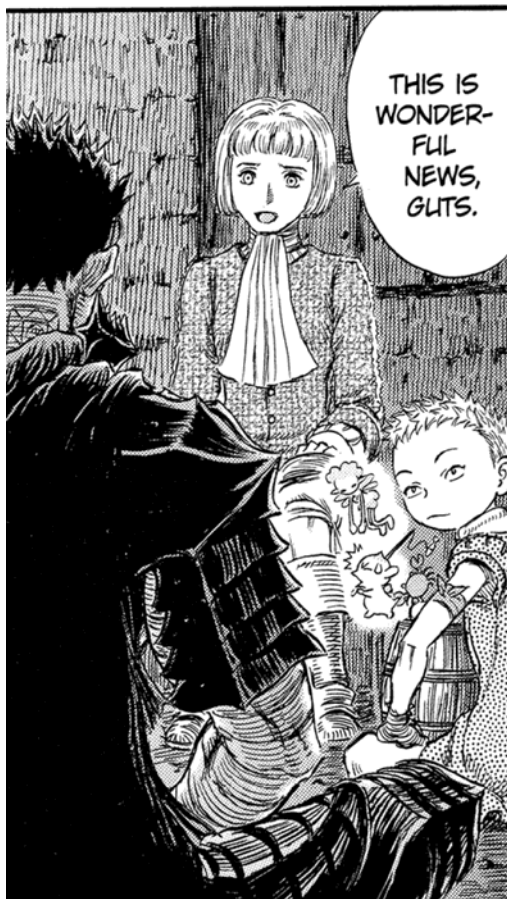
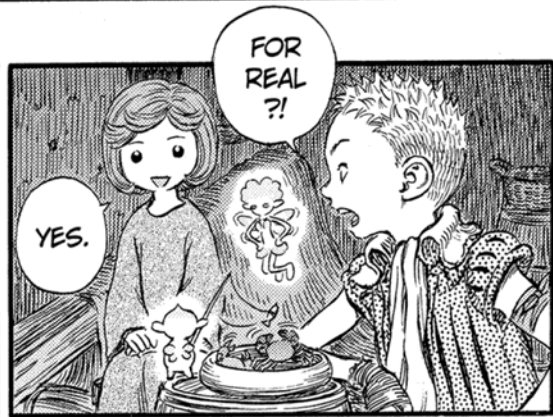
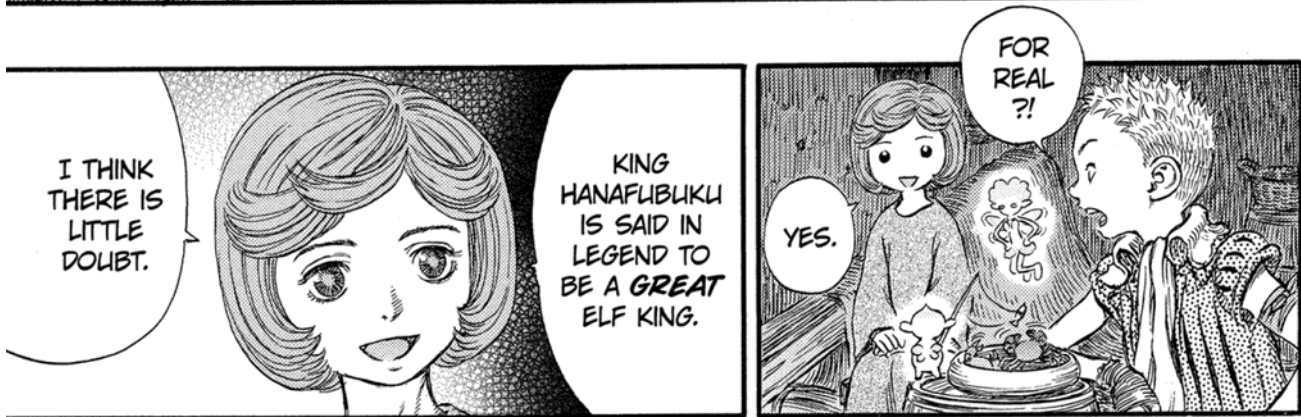
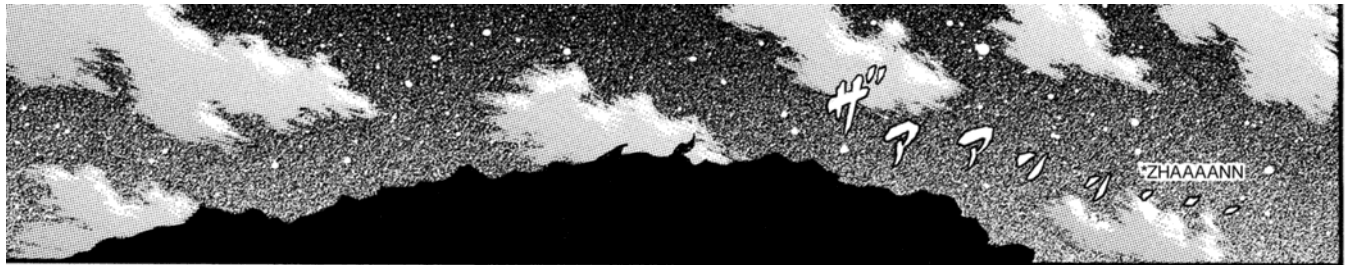
ALL ALONE
OUT HERE,
AND NAKED
TO BOOT...
PERHAPS
HE WAS
ROBBED?



WHAT
THE...?







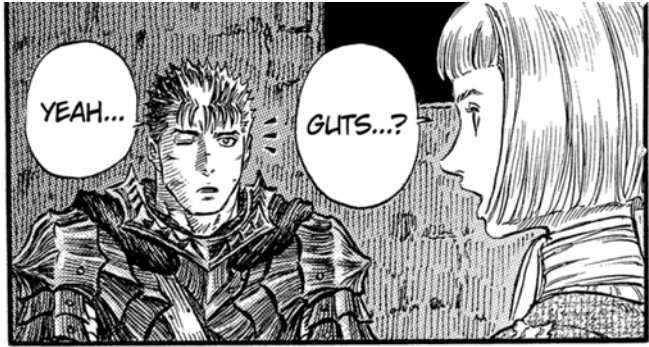


*FX: SHK SHK



**THERE'S NO
GUARANTEE
THAT YOUR
WISH WILL BE
HER WISH.**





YEAH...

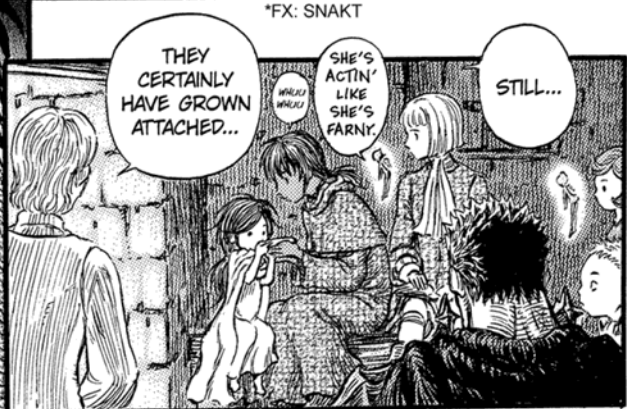
GLUTS...?



*FX: SNAKT



*SQUEEZE



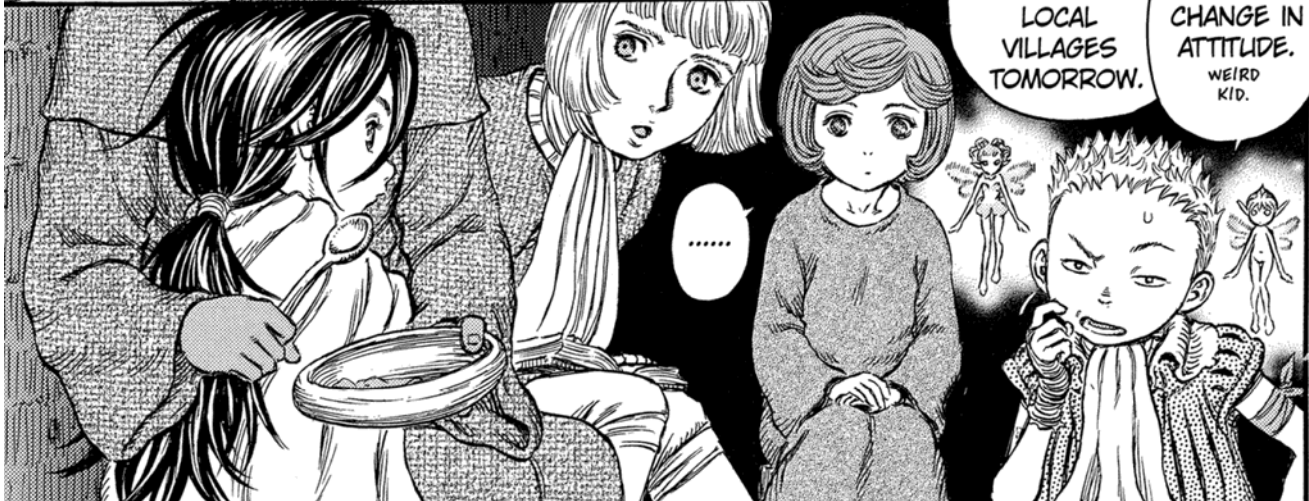
THEY CERTAINLY HAVE GROWN ATTACHED...

SHE'S ACTIN' LIKE SHE'S FARNY.

STILL...

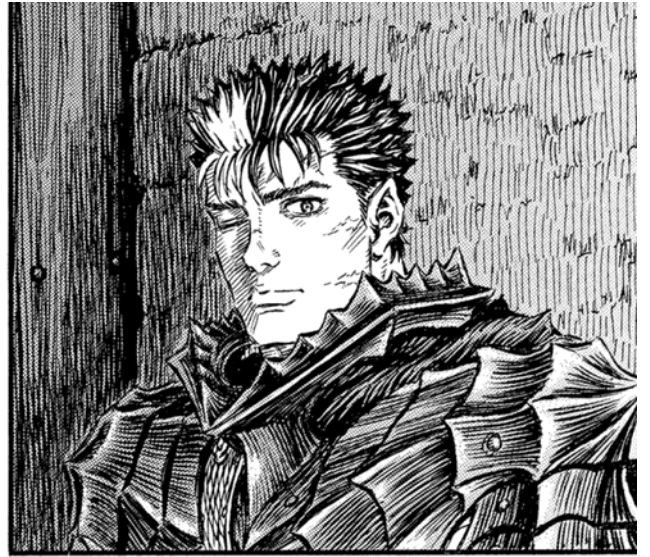
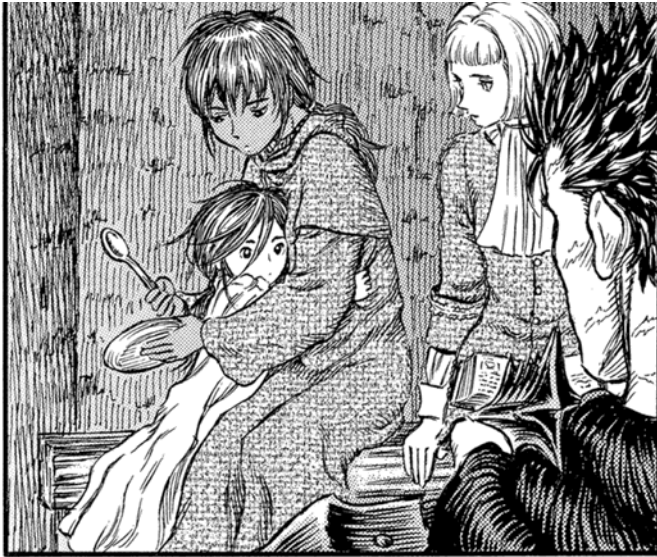


WHAT'S YOUR NAME? WHERE'D YOU COME FROM?

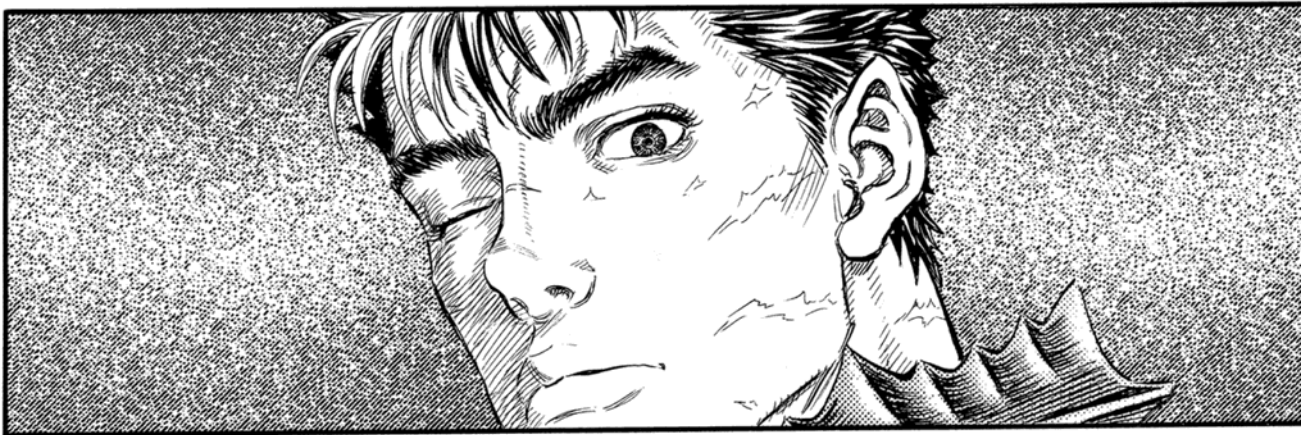
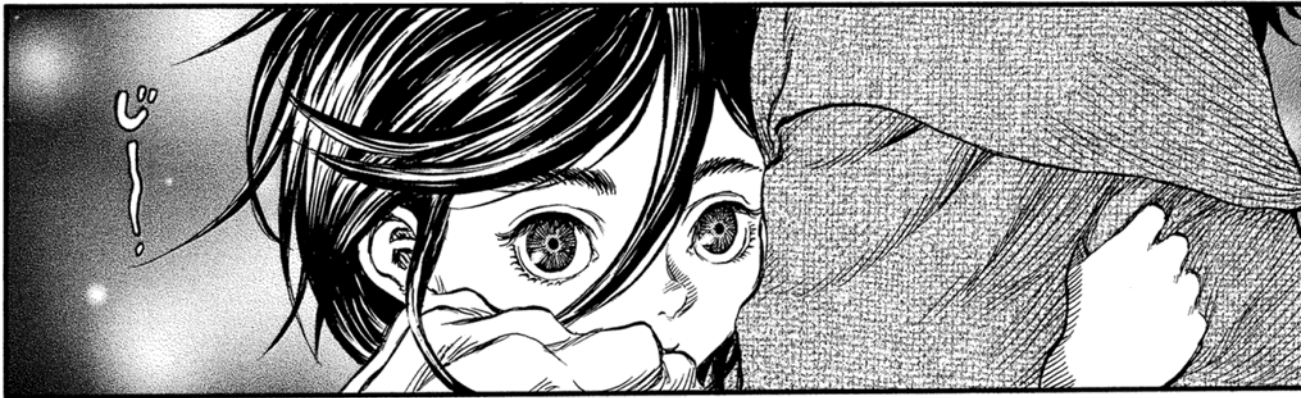


LET'S CHECK AROUND LOCAL VILLAGES TOMORROW.

WHAT A CHANGE IN ATTITUDE. WEIRD KID.

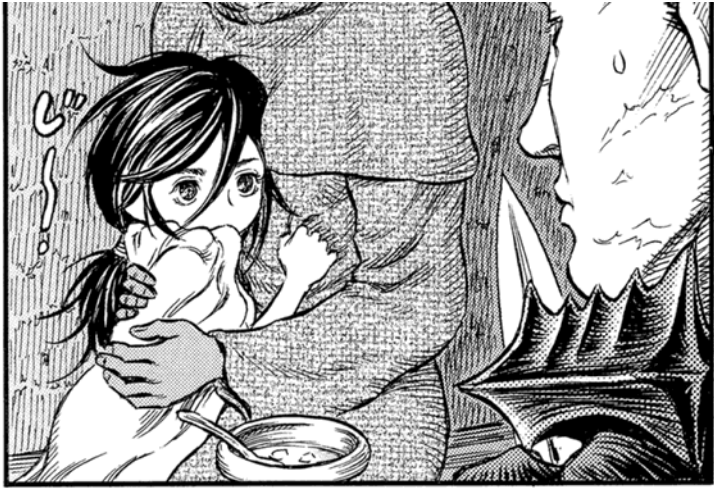


*FX: STARE



*FX: VWIP

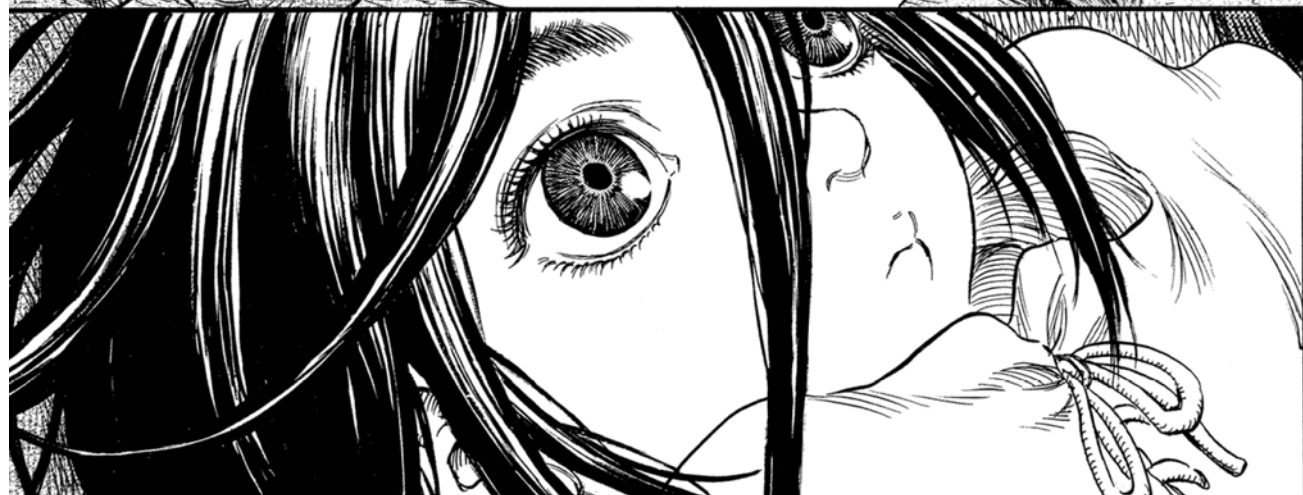
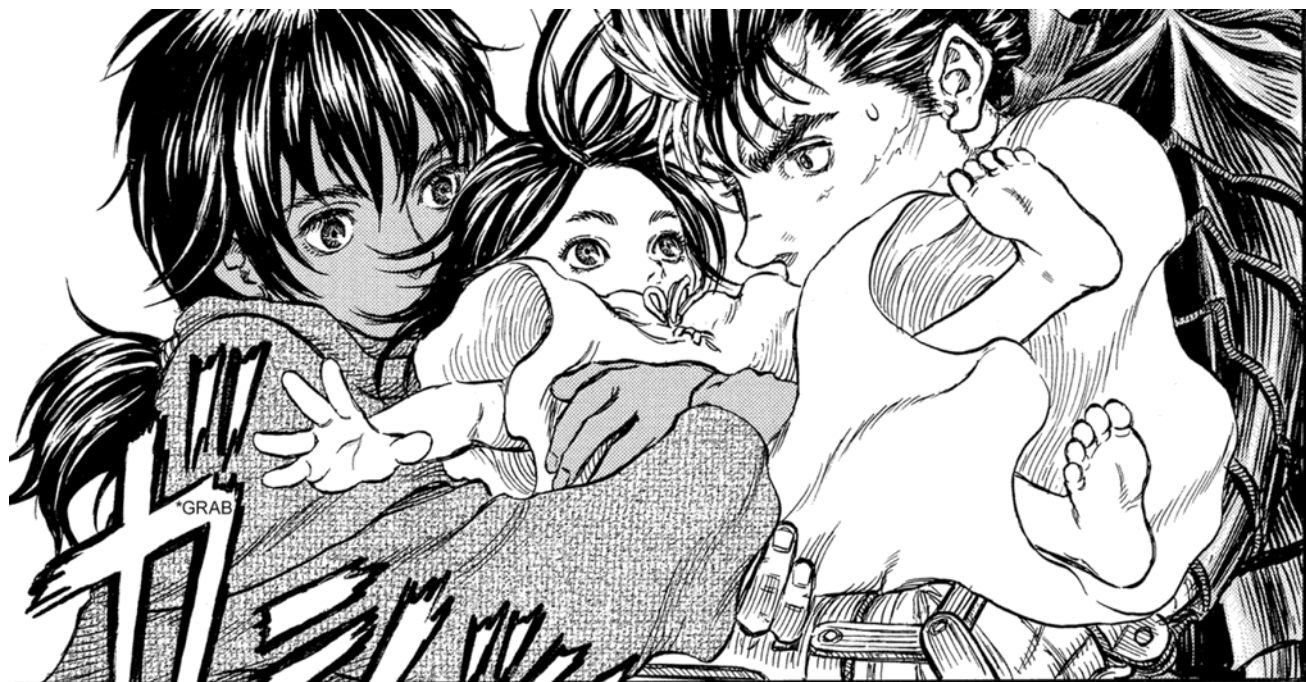


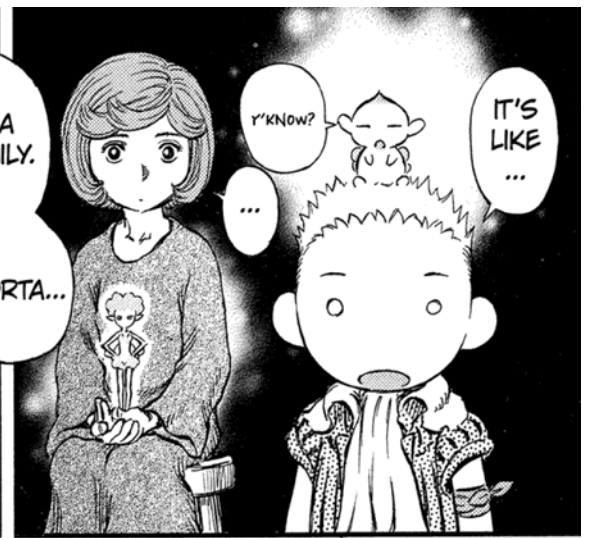
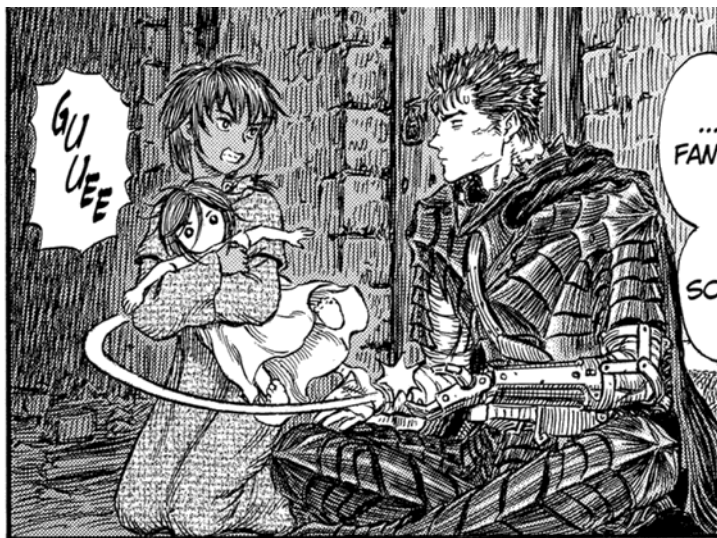




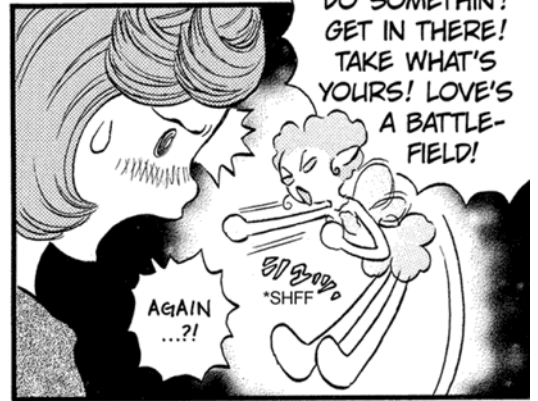
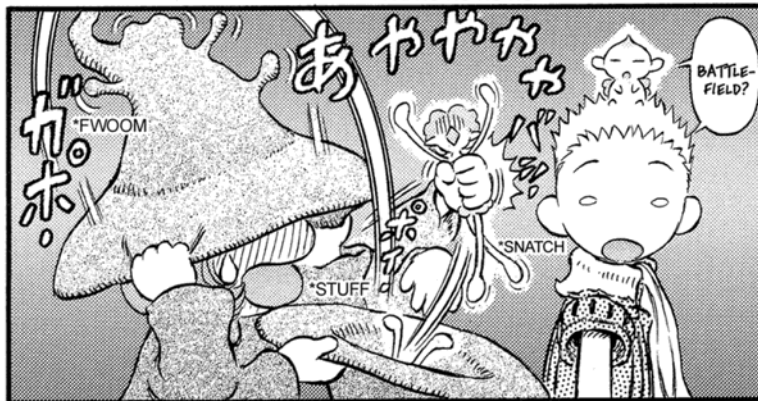
*FX: FALL



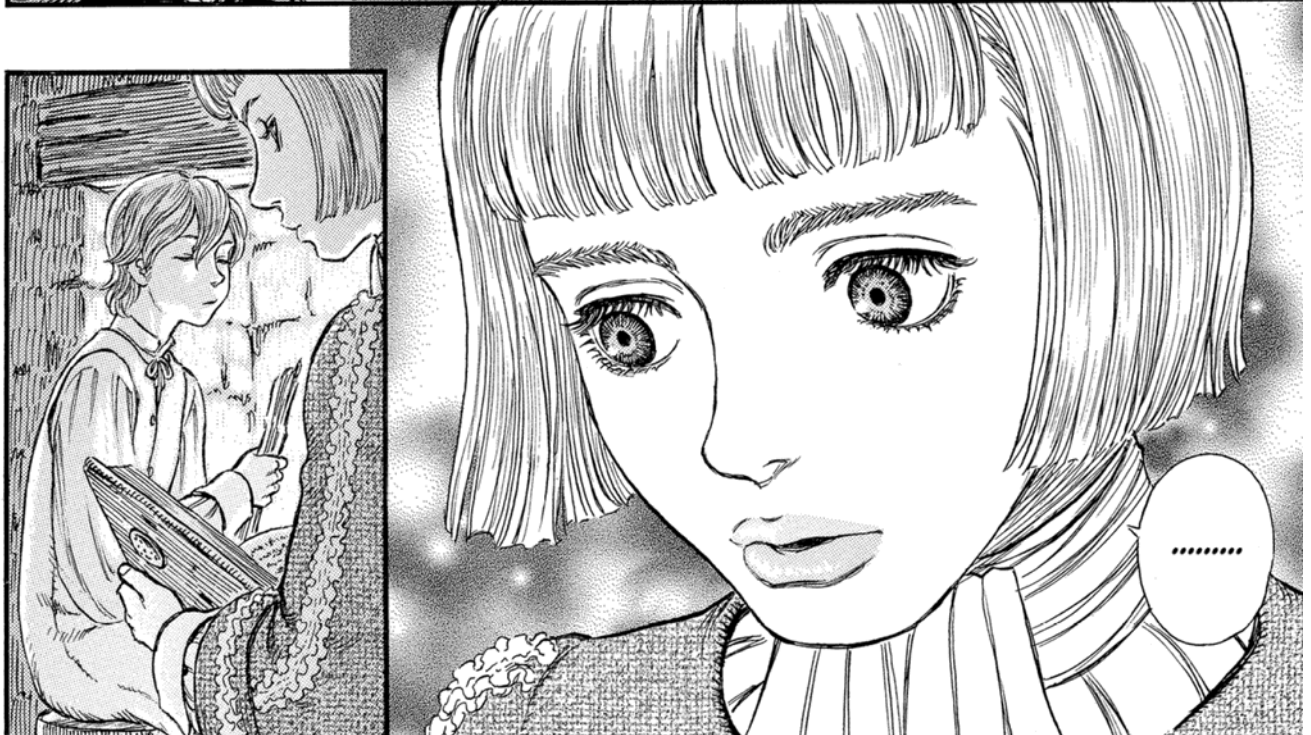
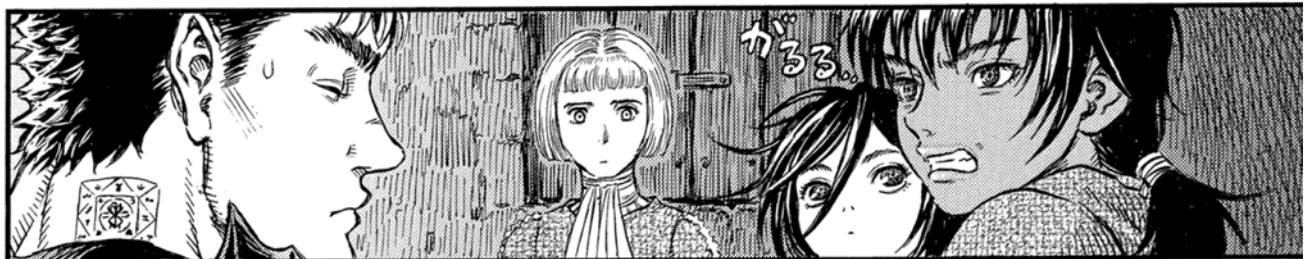




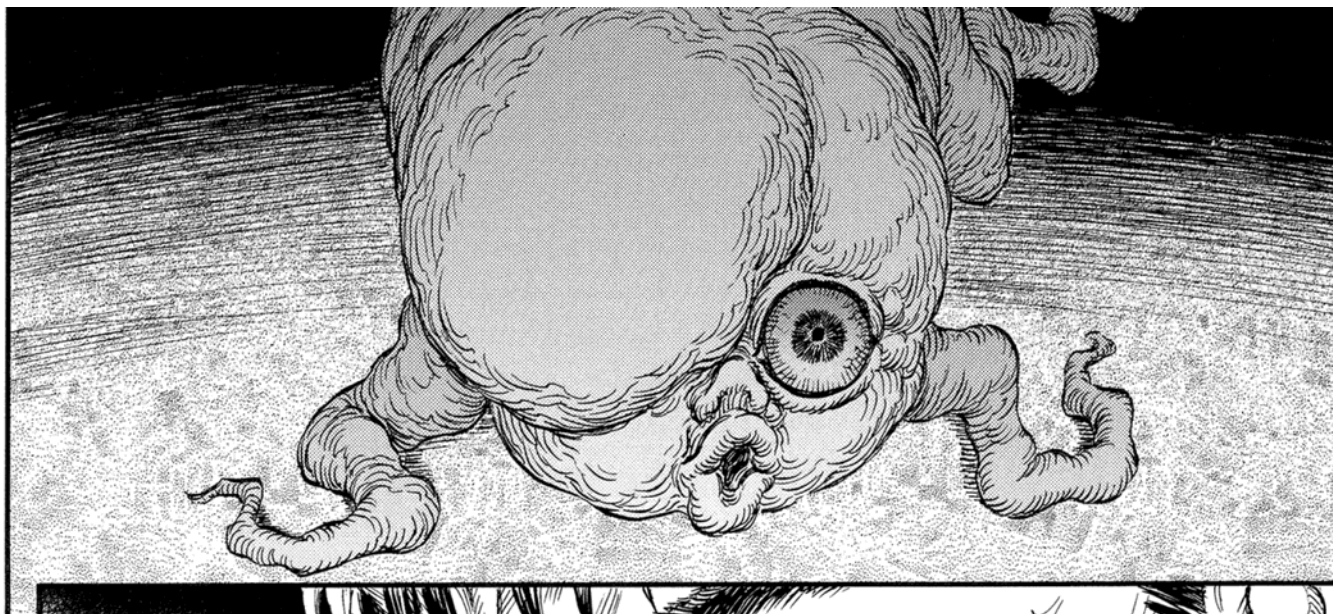
*FX: NO NO NO NO



*FX: GRRRR







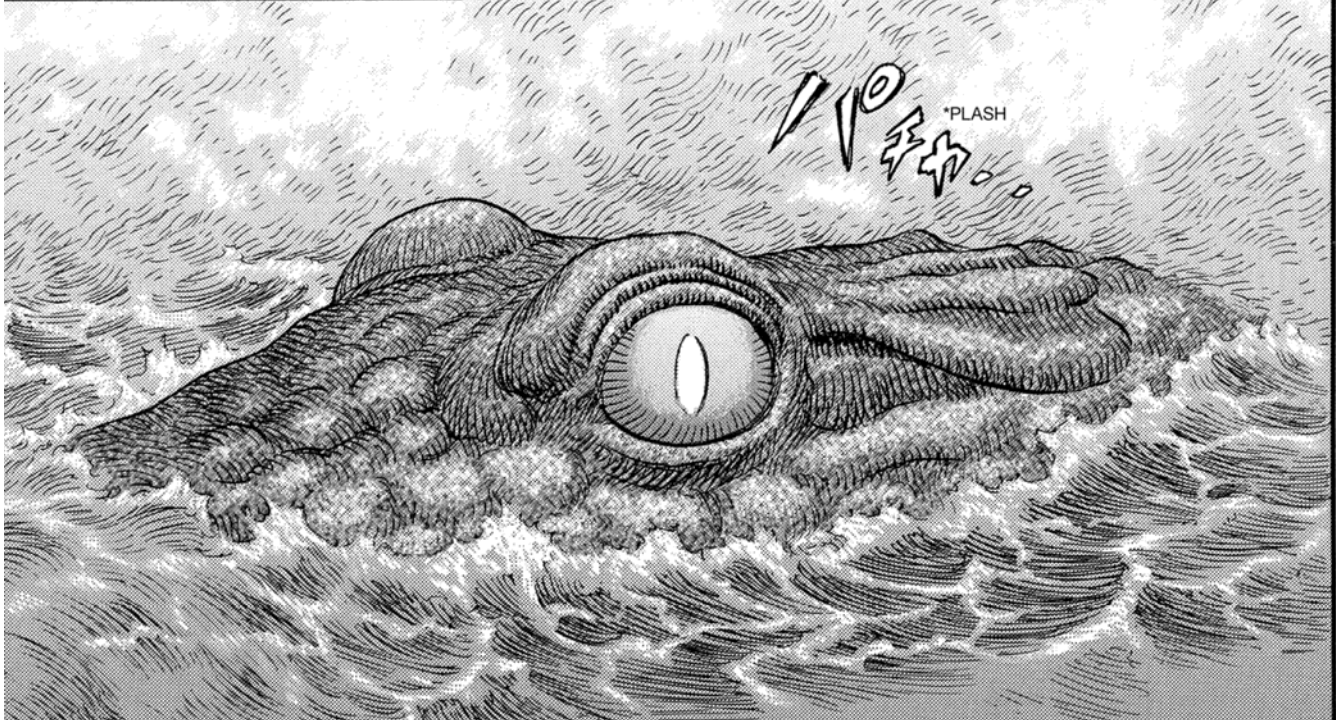
IT WAS
JUST
FOR AN
INSTANT...
BUT I'M
SURE IT
WAS HIM.

THE LAST
I CAUGHT
SIGHT OF HIM
WAS AT THE
TOWER OF
CONVICTION.



...ALONE
SOMEWHERE
IN THE
NIGHT...

HE MUST
STILL BE
WANDERIN'
AROUND...

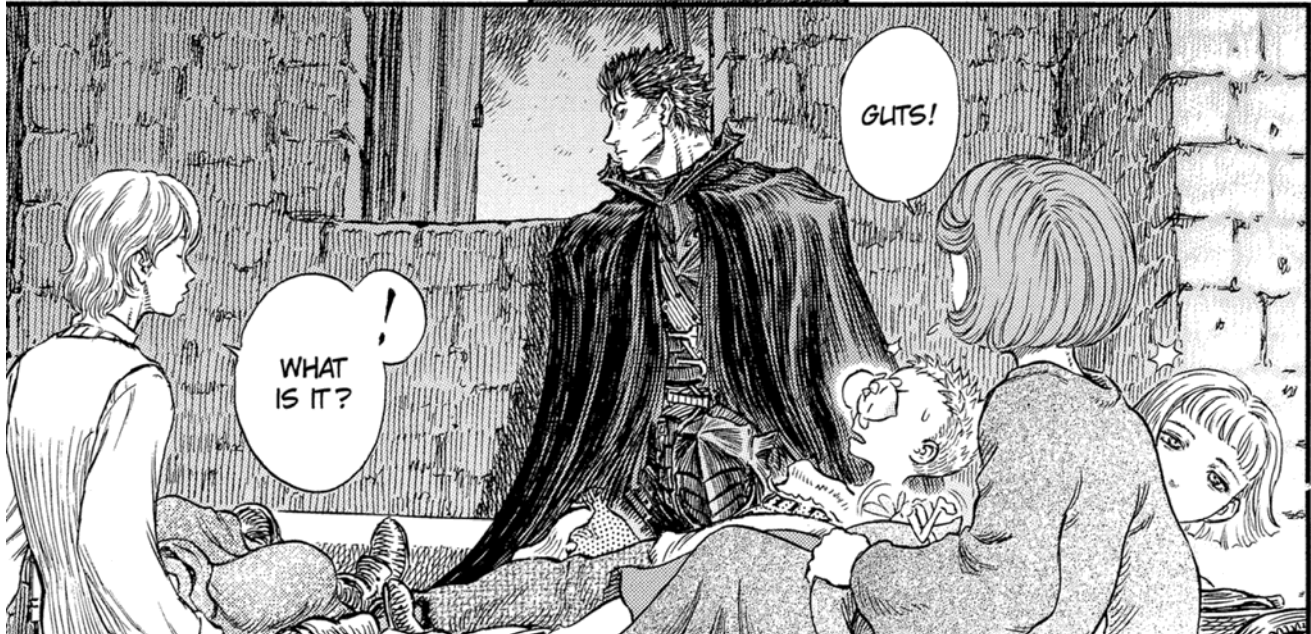
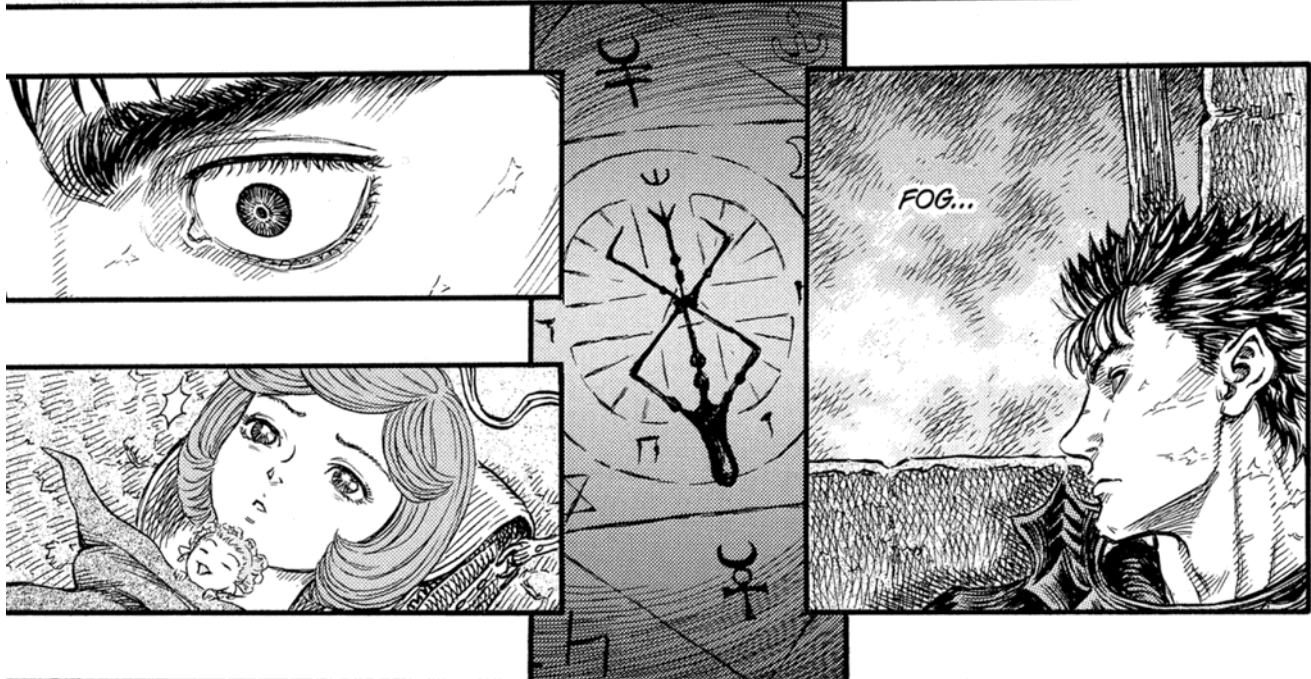
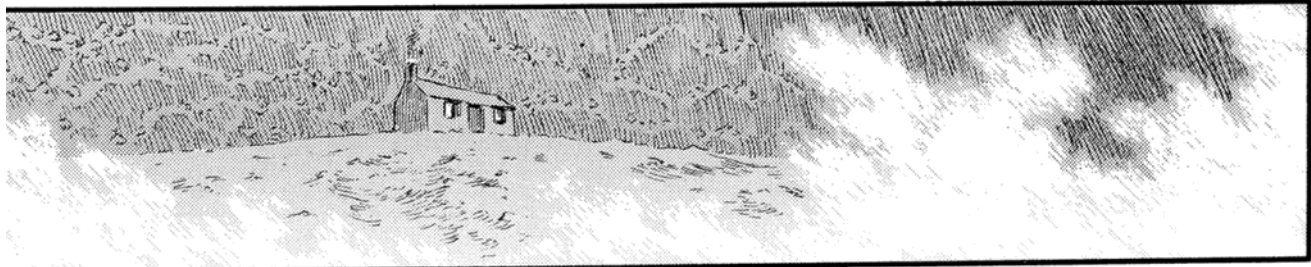


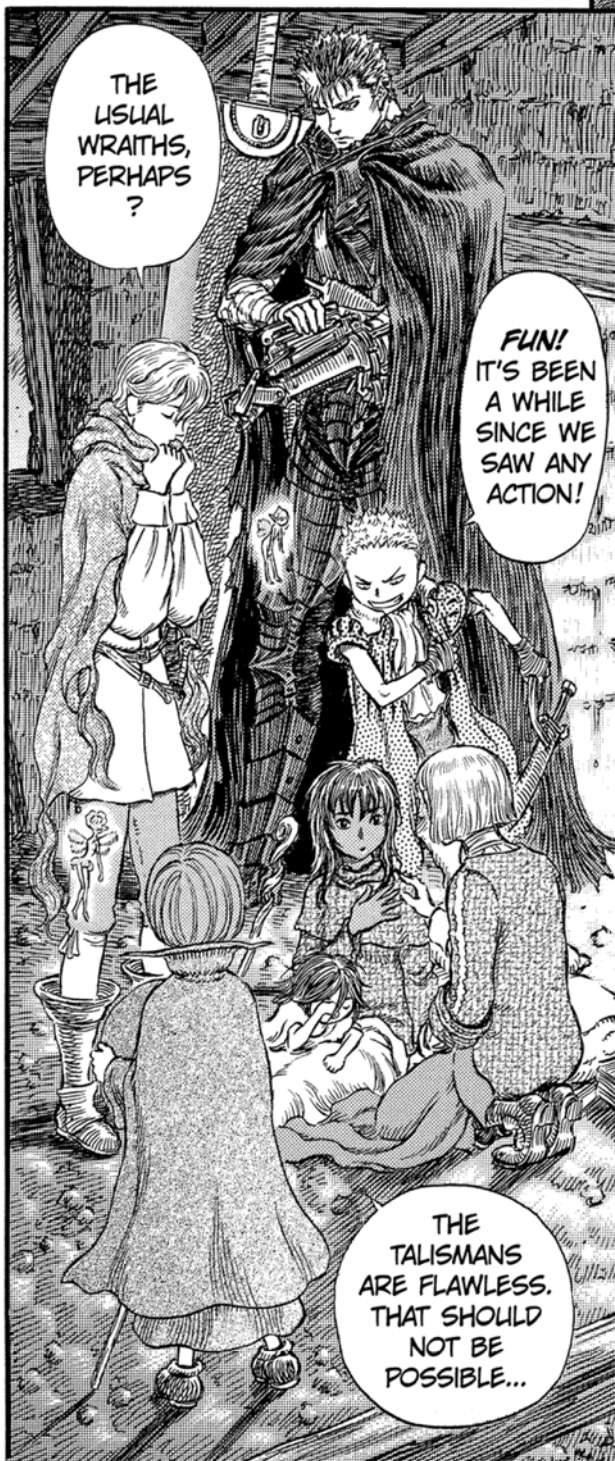
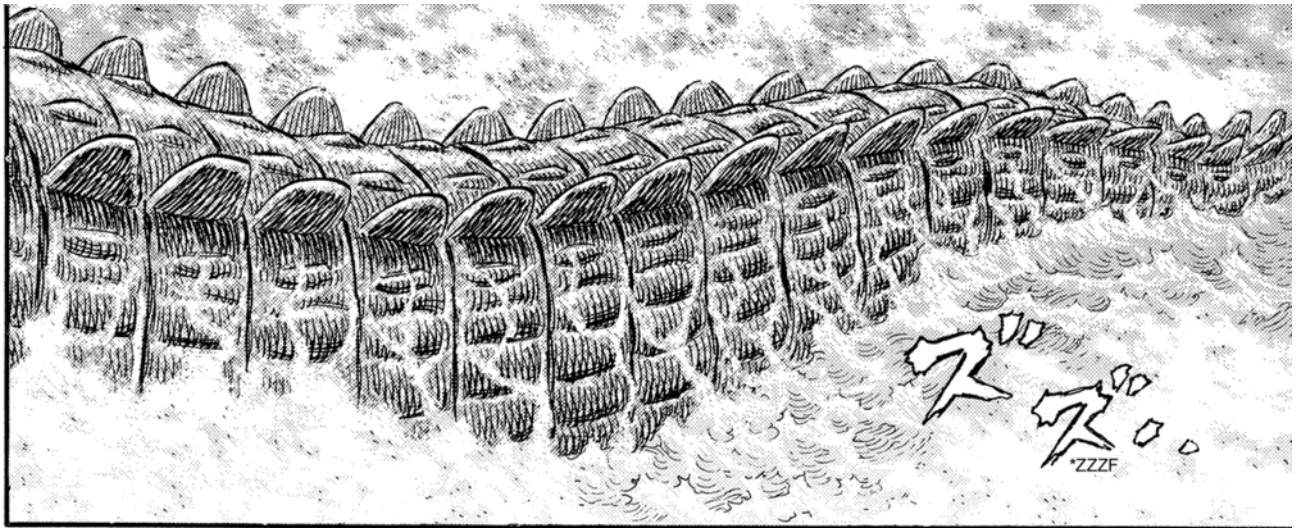
FAMILIARS
使い魔

BERSERK

ドドド。オ。オ。オ。オ。オ。オ。オ。オ。

*FX: D-DOOOSHHH

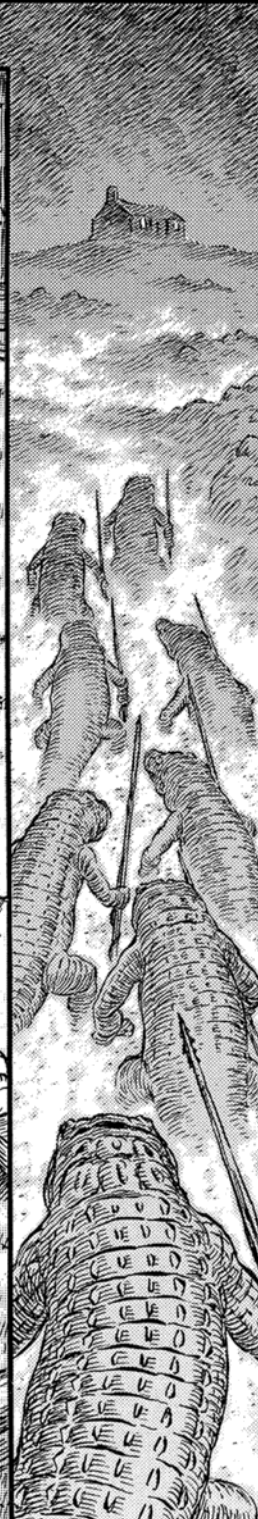




THE
USUAL
WRAITHS,
PERHAPS
?

FUN!
IT'S BEEN
A WHILE
SINCE WE
SAW ANY
ACTION!

THE
TALISMANS
ARE FLAWLESS.
THAT SHOULD
NOT BE
POSSIBLE...



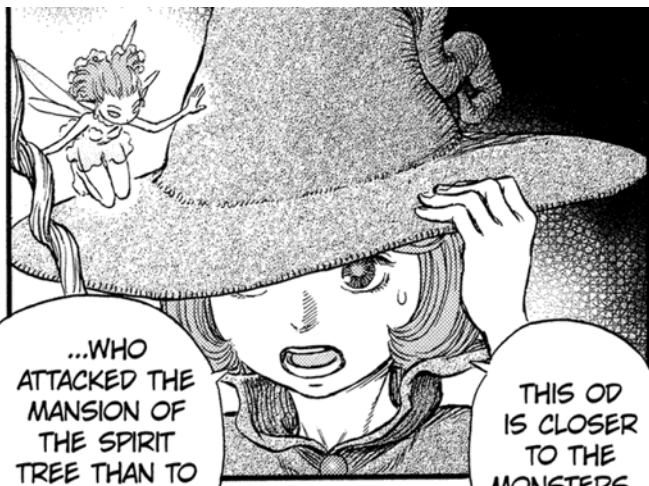
SOME-
THING'S
COMING...

...HIDDEN
IN THE
FOG.



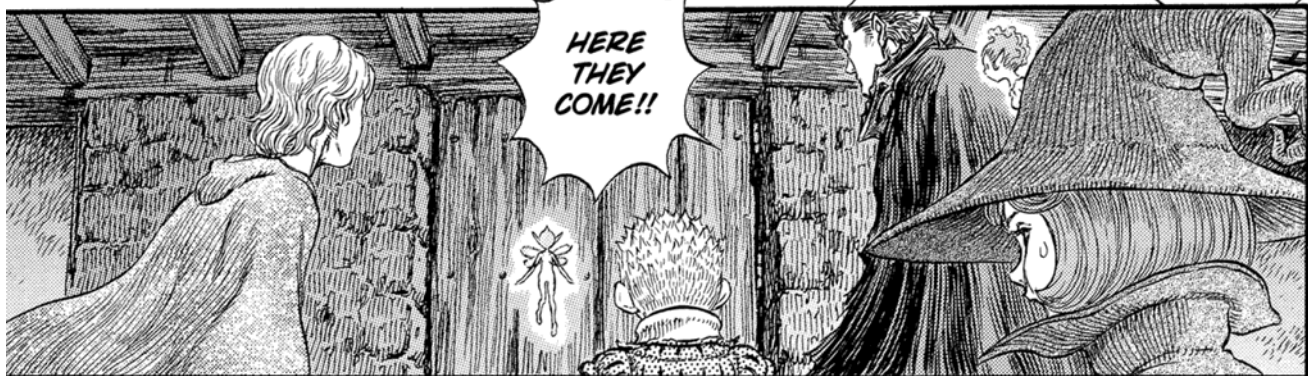
...
APOSTLES
?!

IT
DOES
FEEL
LIKE...



...WHO
ATTACKED THE
MANSION OF
THE SPIRIT
TREE THAN TO
WRAITHS...

THIS OD
IS CLOSER
TO THE
MONSTERS...



HERE
THEY
COME!!

*FX: RAKK

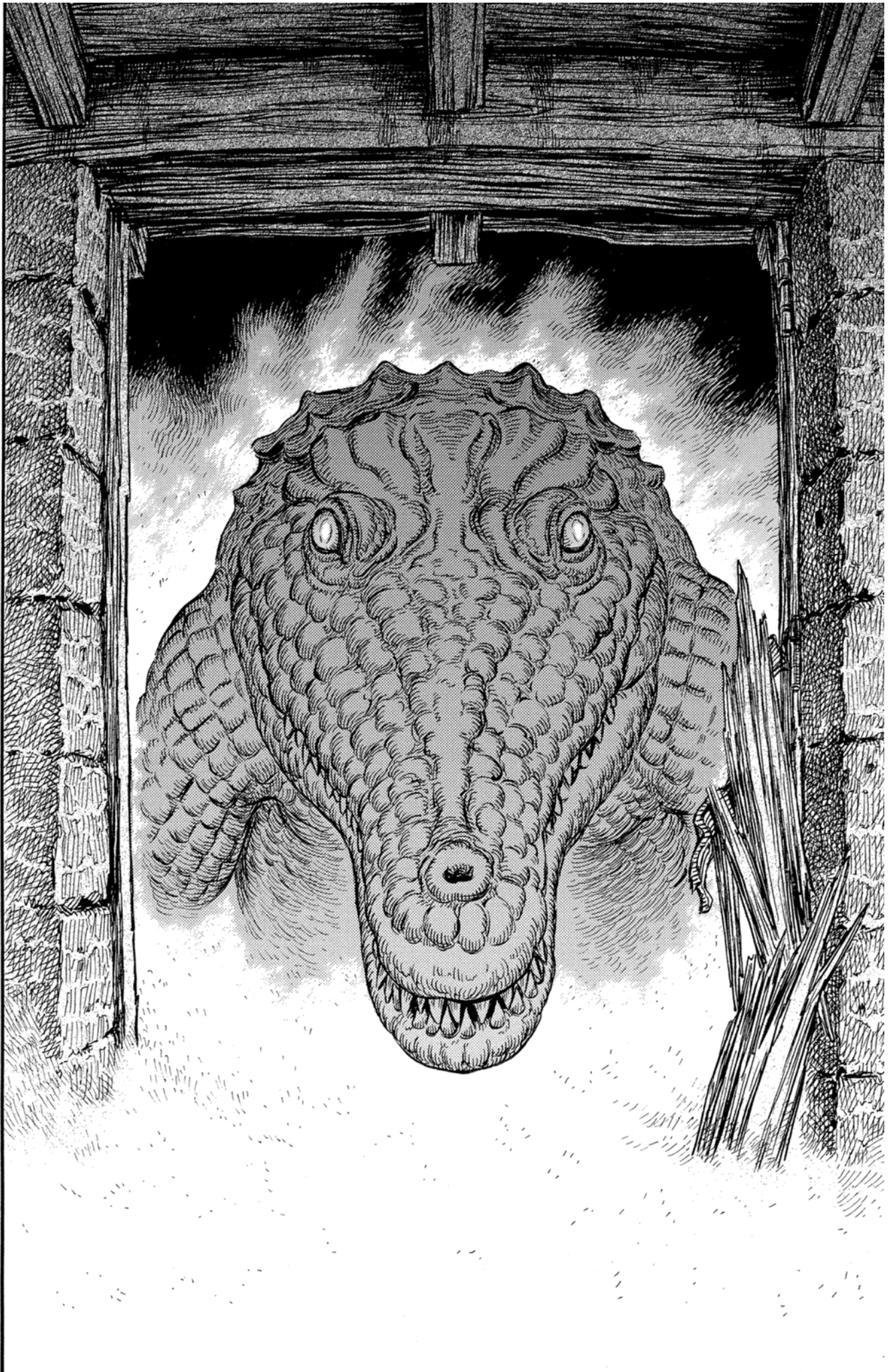


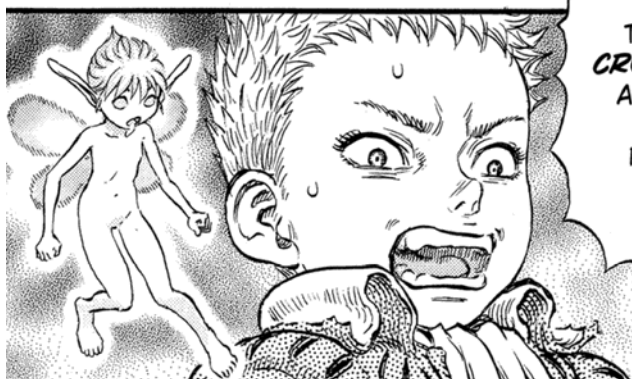
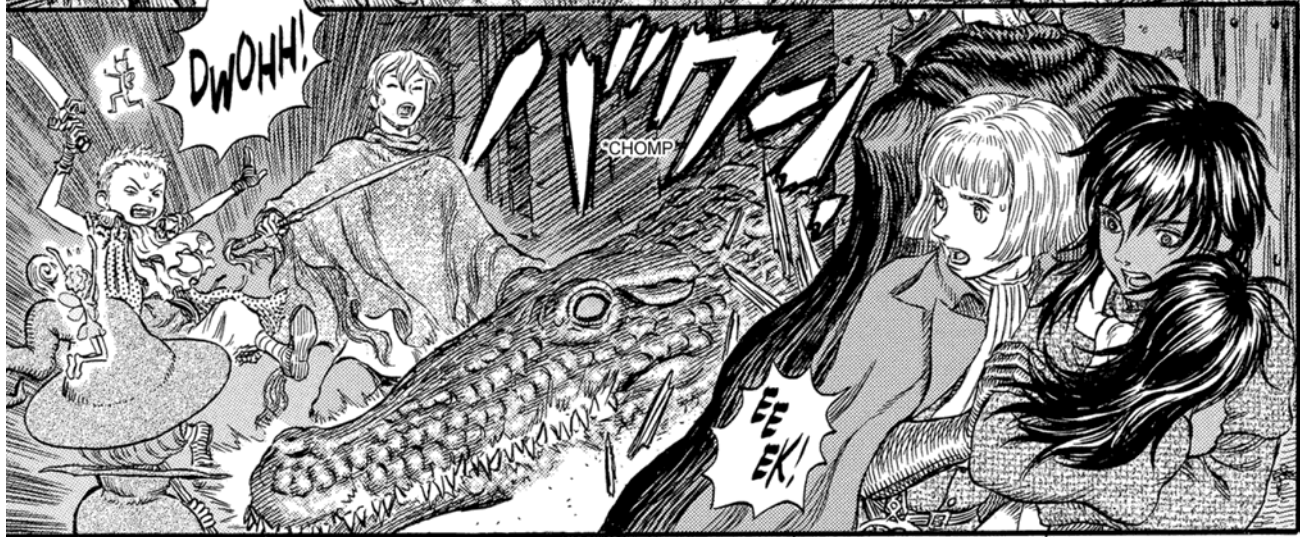
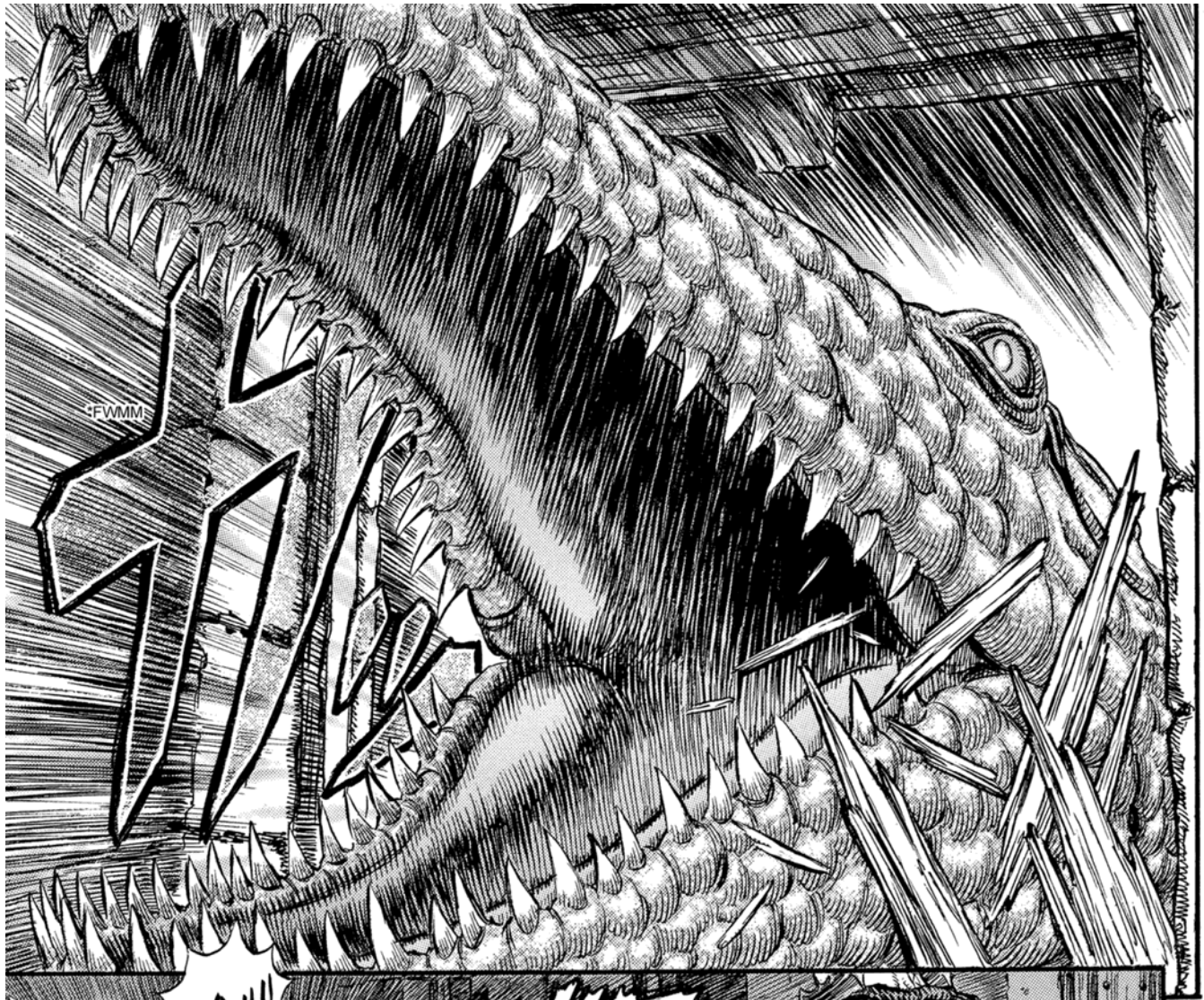
*FX: RAKK RAKK



*FX: KRASSH



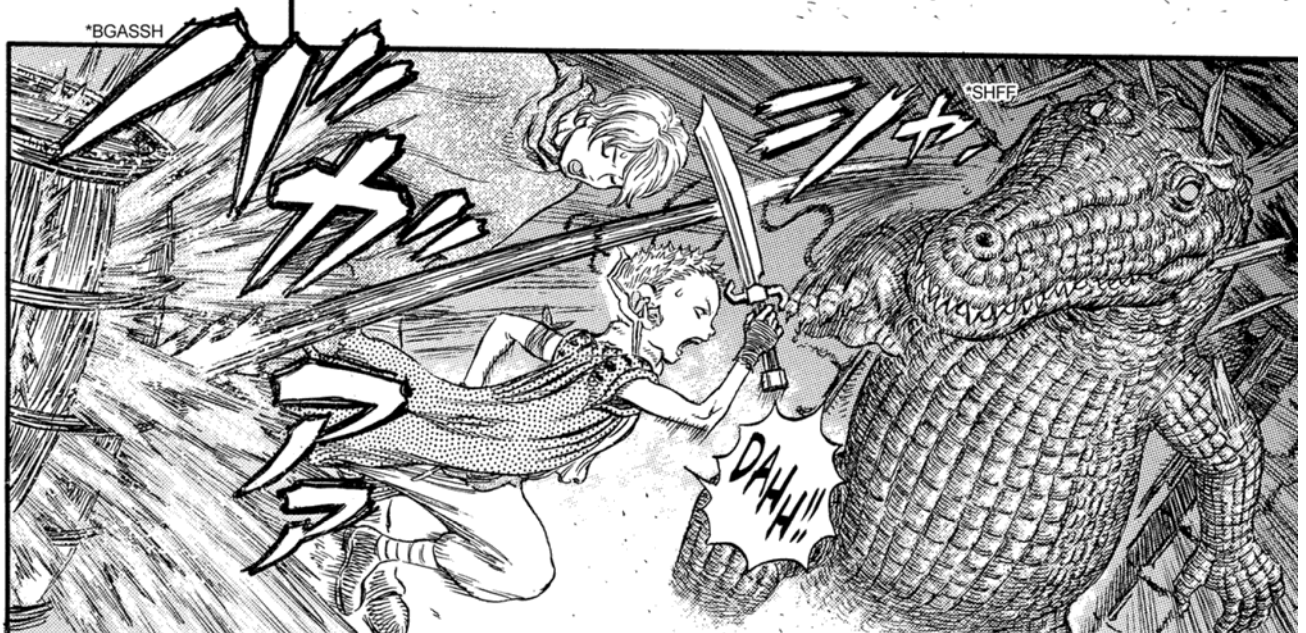
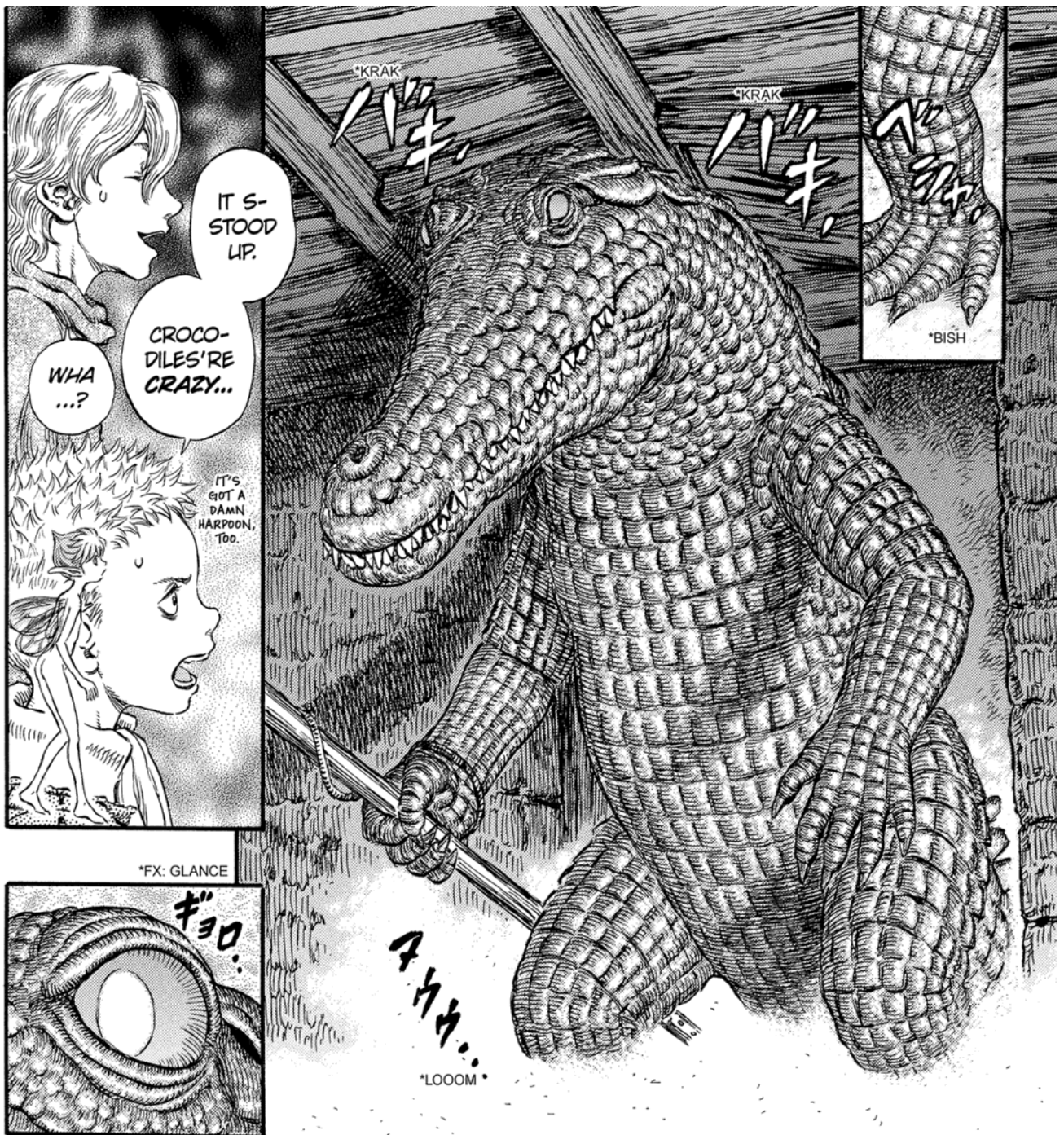


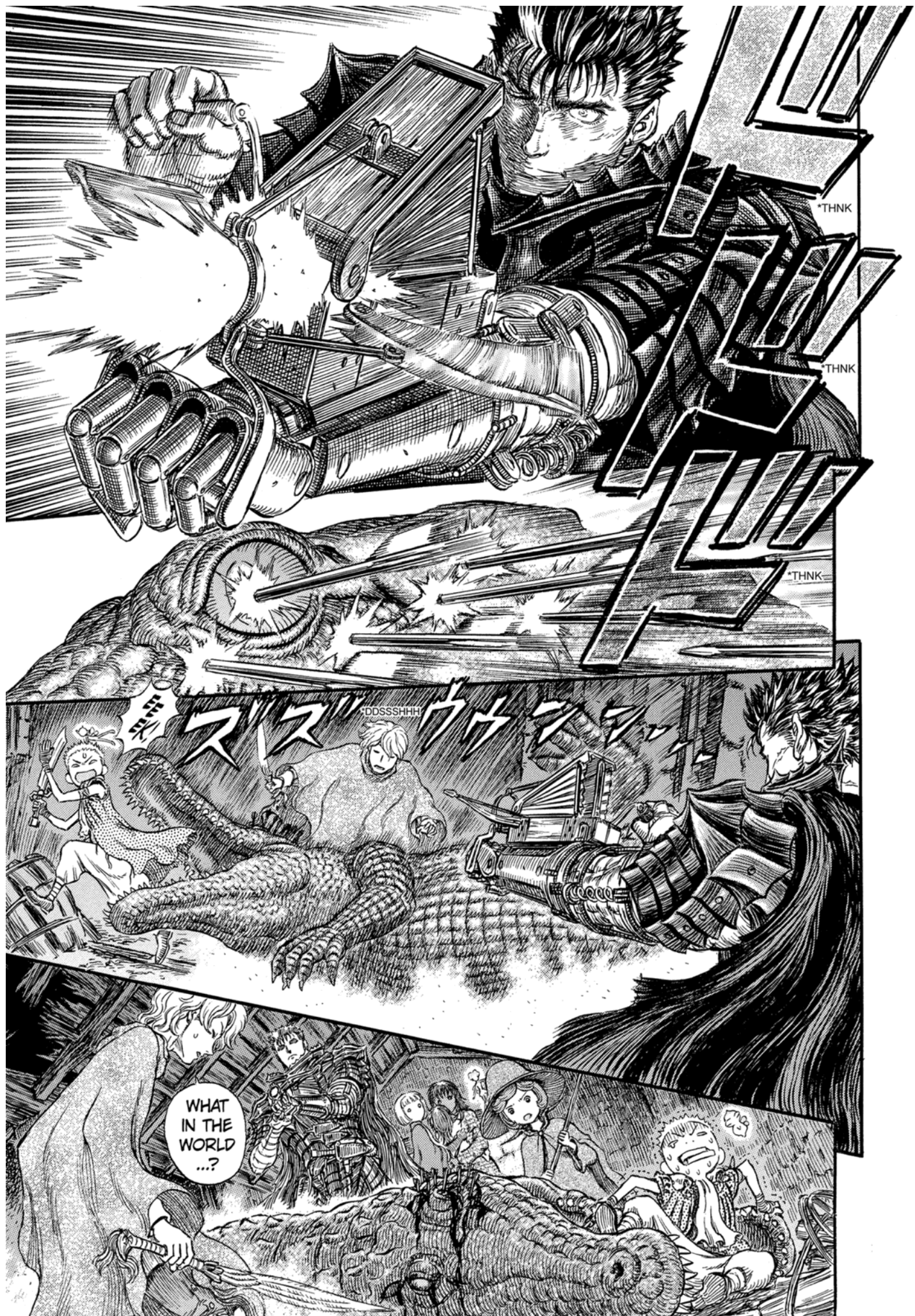


NO!!
THIS IS A
CROCODILE...
AN ANIMAL
FROM A
FOREIGN
LAND!!



WH-WHAT'S
THIS FRIGGIN'
HUGE LIZARD?!
A DRAGON...?!







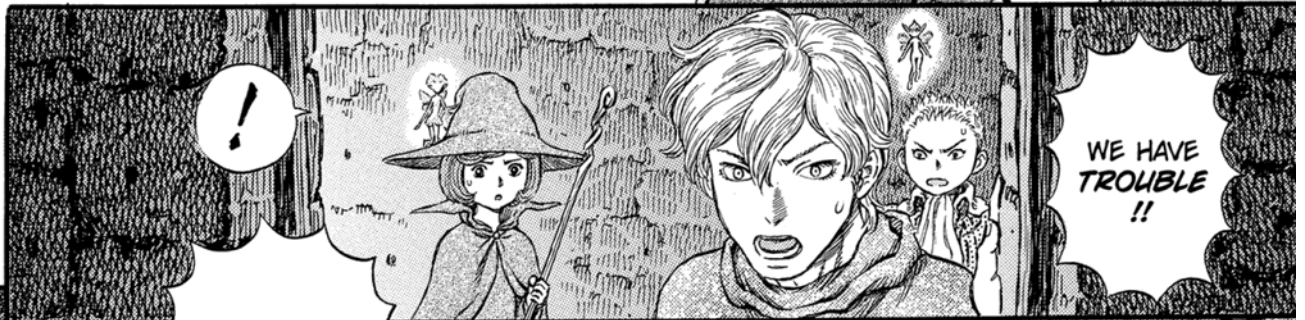
BUT
JUST
WHO
WOULD
...?

A KIND
OF SO-
CALLED
"FAMILIAR."



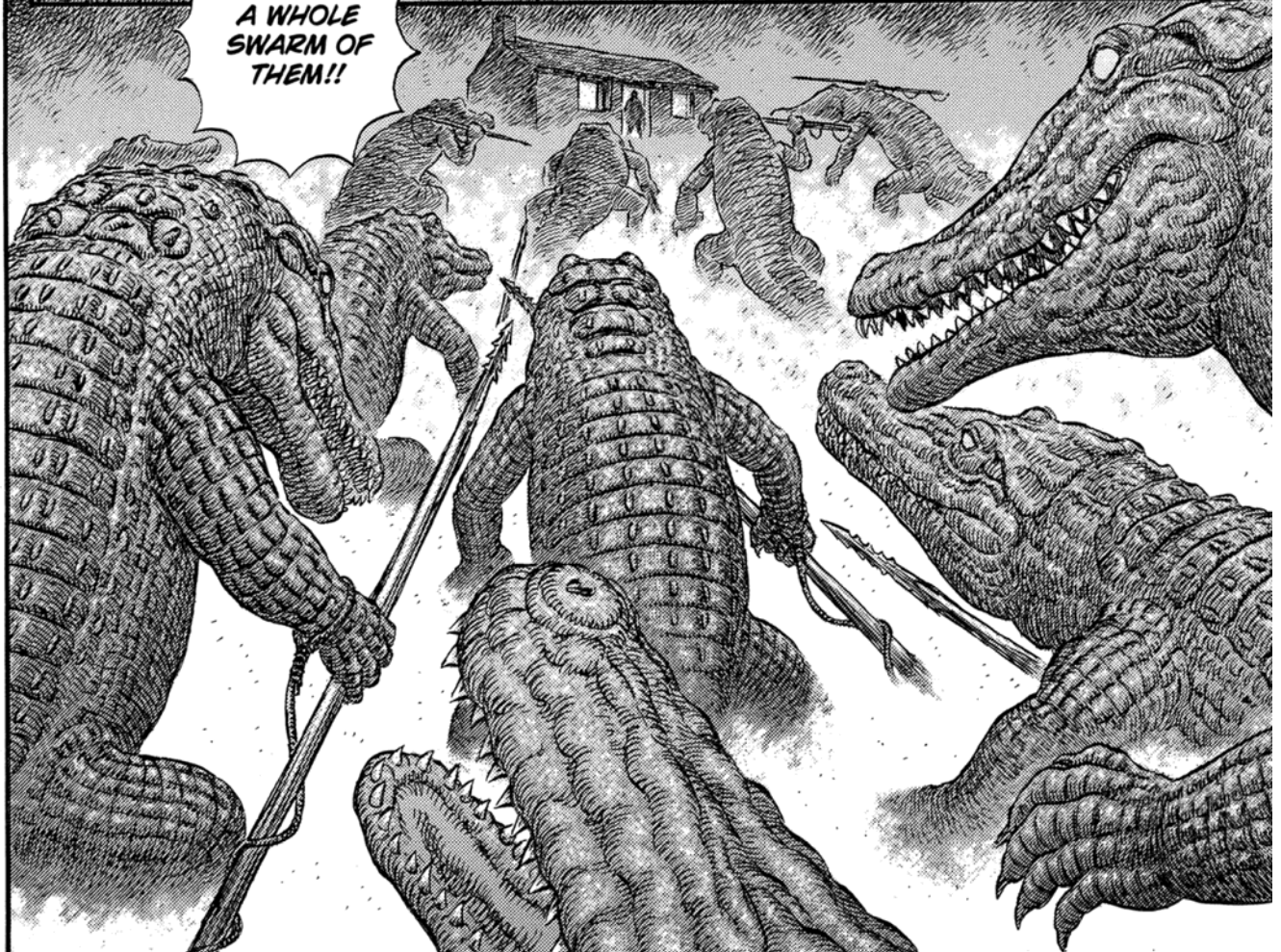
THIS WAS
PRODUCED BY
SOME KIND
OF SPIRIT
DWELLING IN
THE ANIMAL.

A
MAGICAL
LIFE-
FORM.



WE HAVE
TROUBLE
!!

A WHOLE
SWARM OF
THEM!!

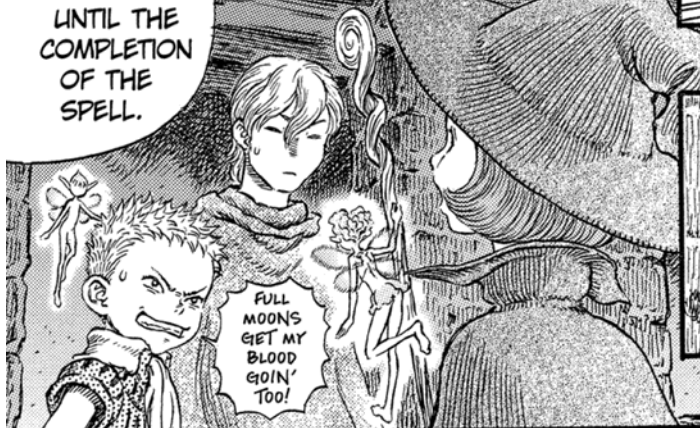


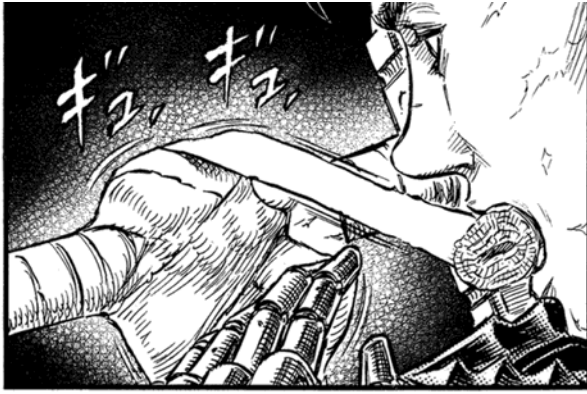
EVEN
THOUGH
THIS IS NOT
A CHURCH OR
HOLY GROUND,
I CAN STILL
AFFIX THE
FORMATION OF
THE FOUR
KINGS.

PLEASE
BUY ME A
LITTLE TIME
UNTIL THE
COMPLETION
OF THE
SPELL.

TONIGHT
IS A FULL
MOON.

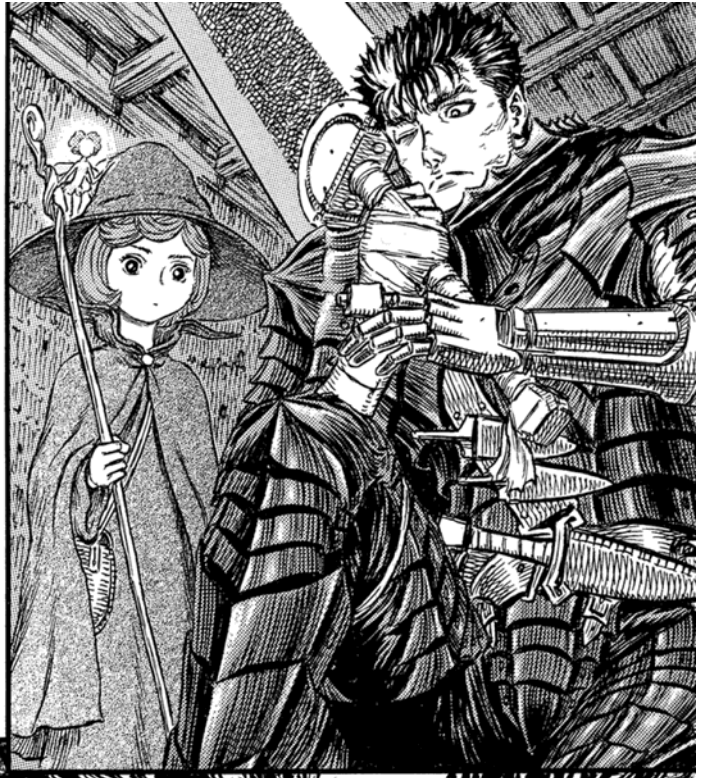
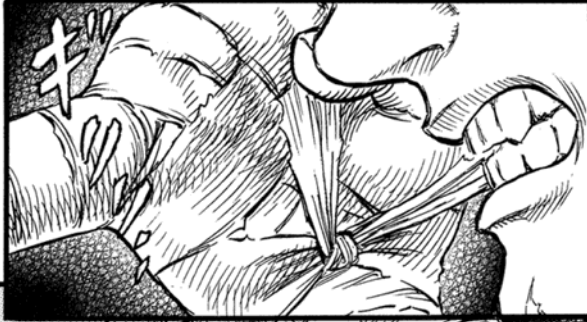
THE TIME
WHEN THE
POWER OF
MAGIC IS
MOST
MANIFEST.

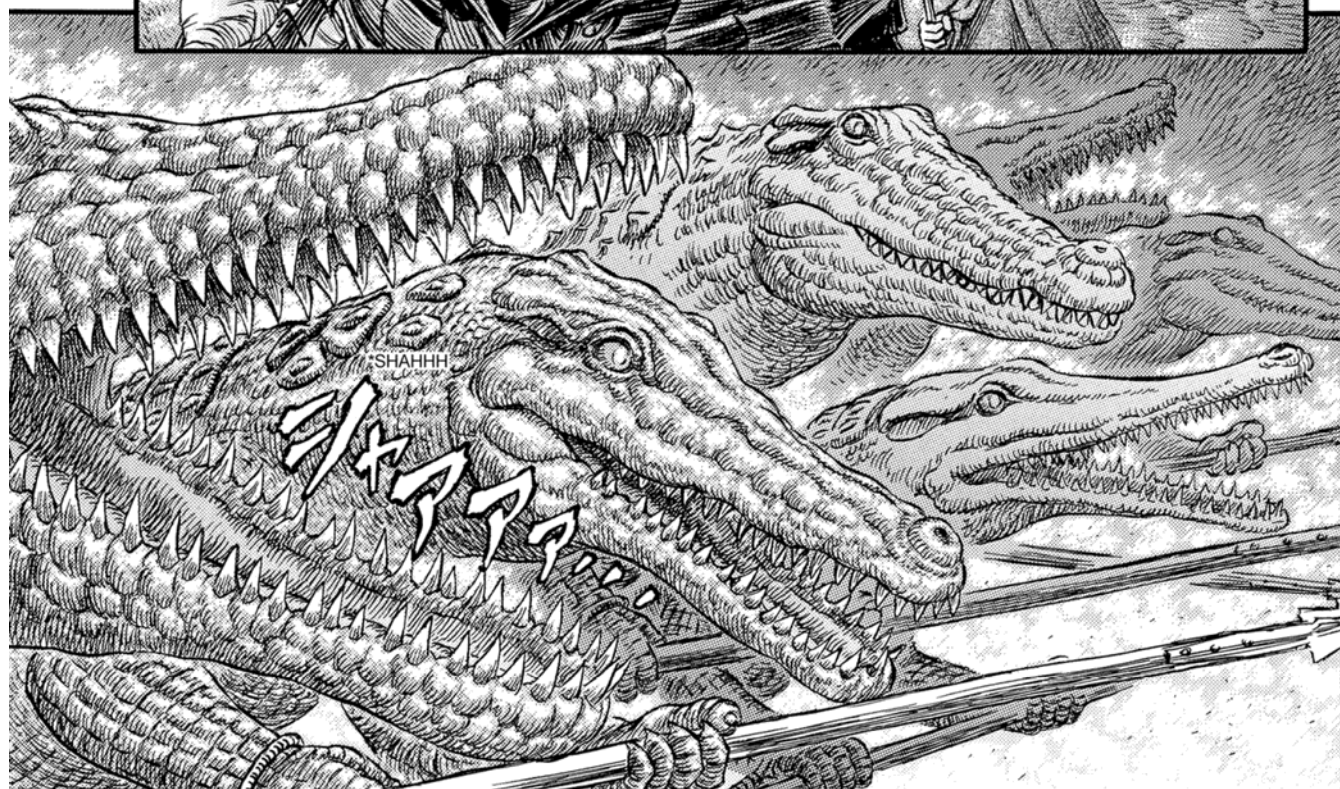
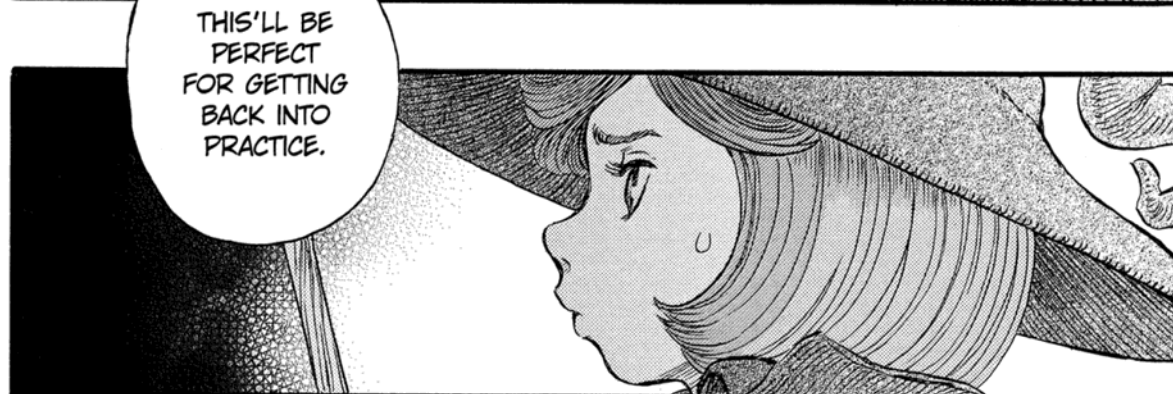




*FX: TUG TUG

*FX: HRRRN









WSSSSS

FWOHH

FX: TMP

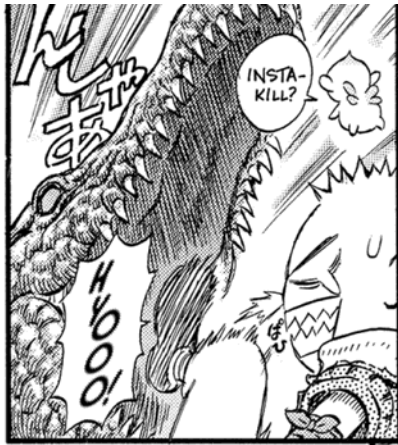
KRDUMP

H...

HE FLEW !!

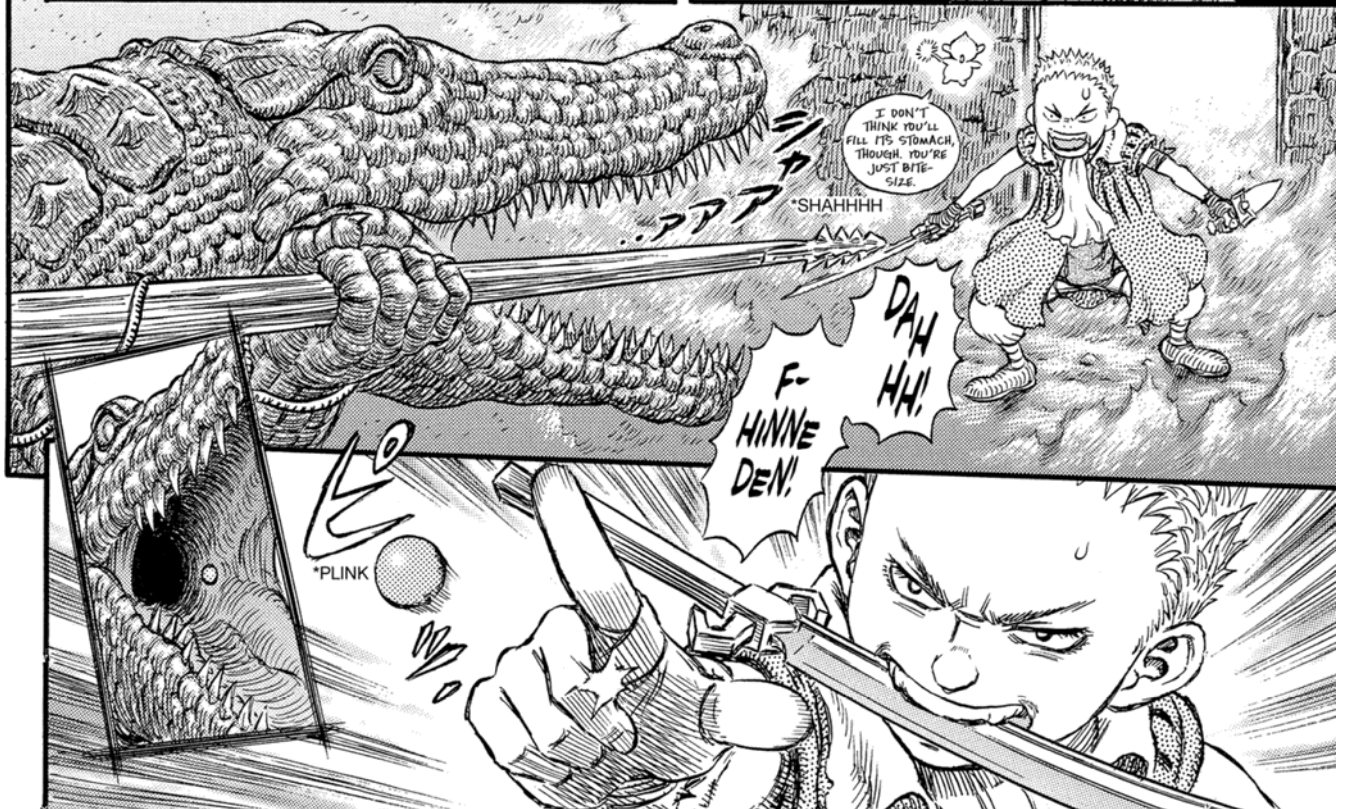
LIKE LAUNDRY DANCIN' ON THE WIND!

IT DOES SEEM TO FUNCTION BETTER THAN USUAL.

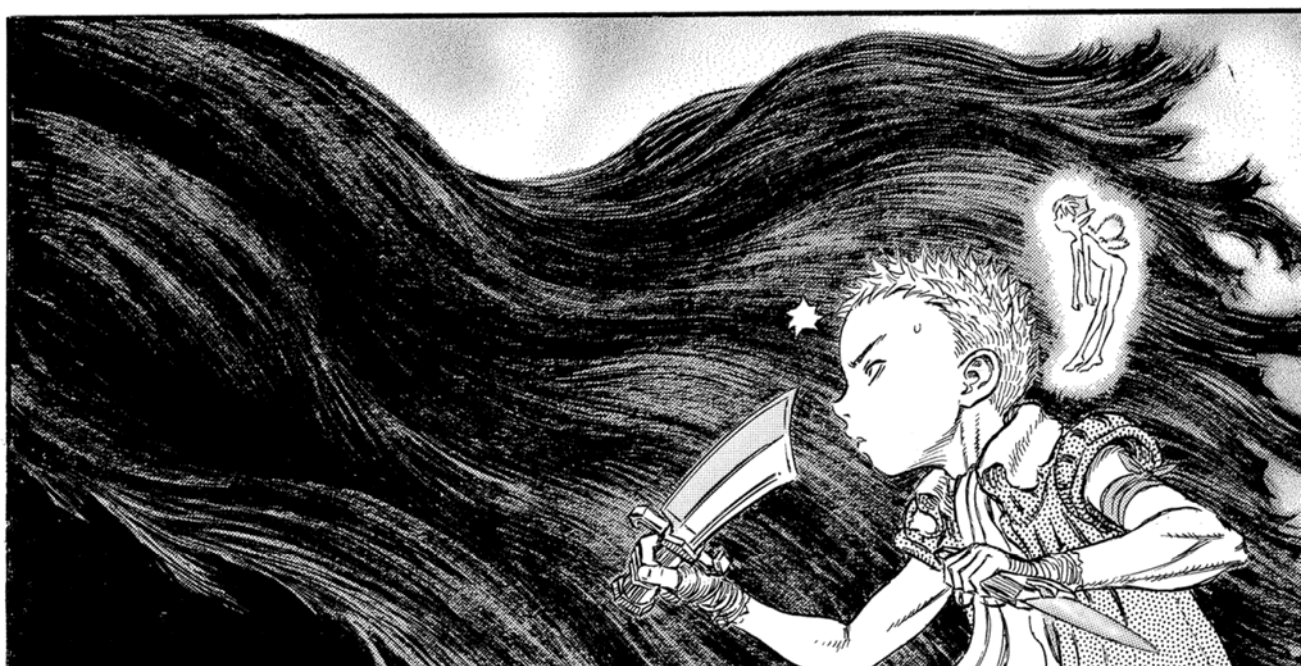
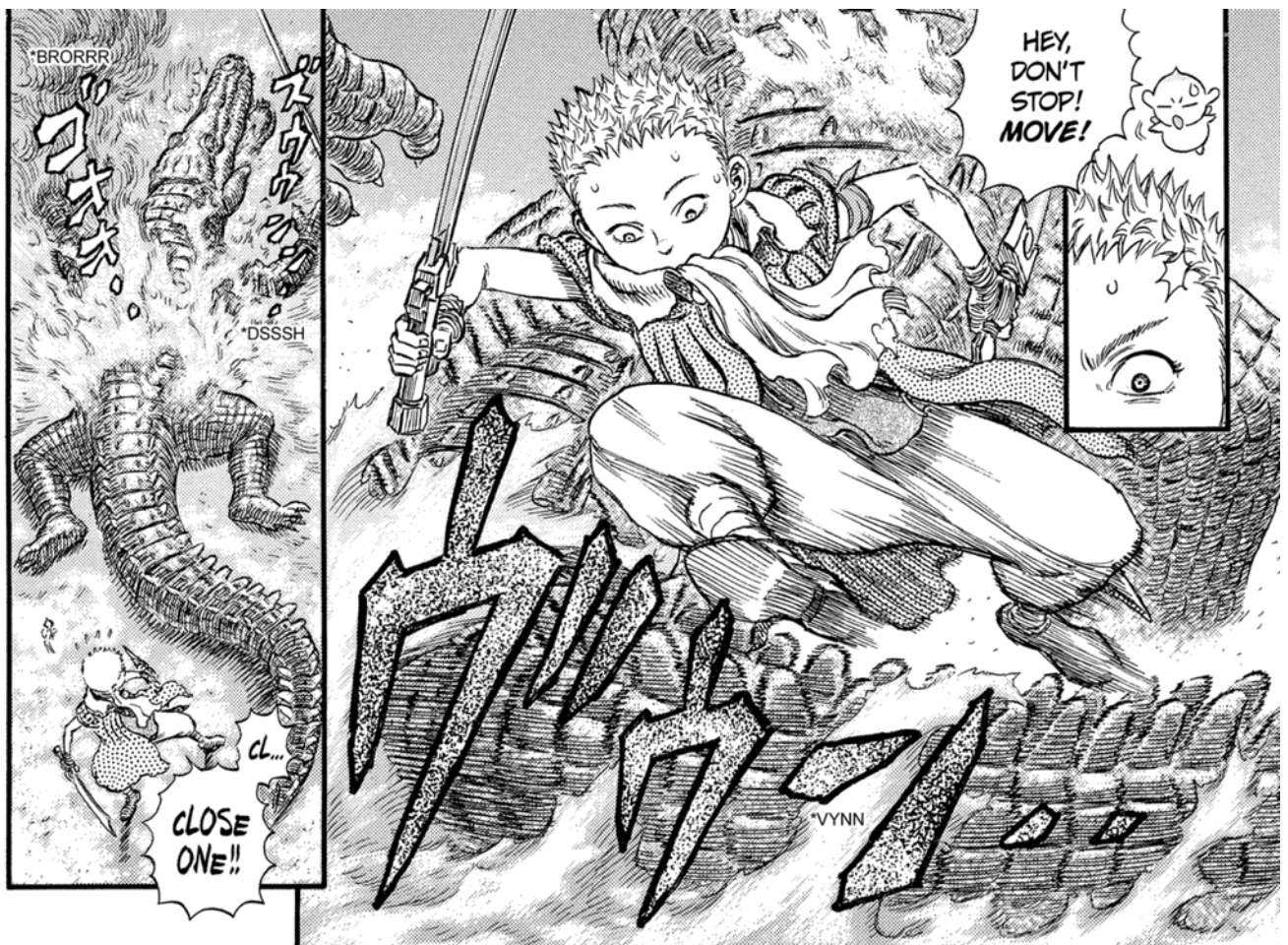


*FX: HSHAHH

*FX: CHOMP

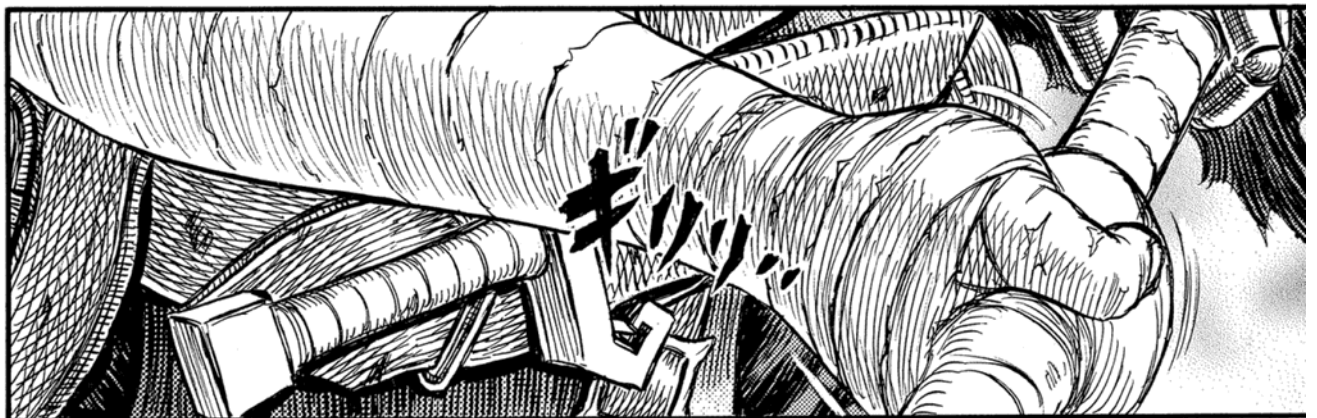
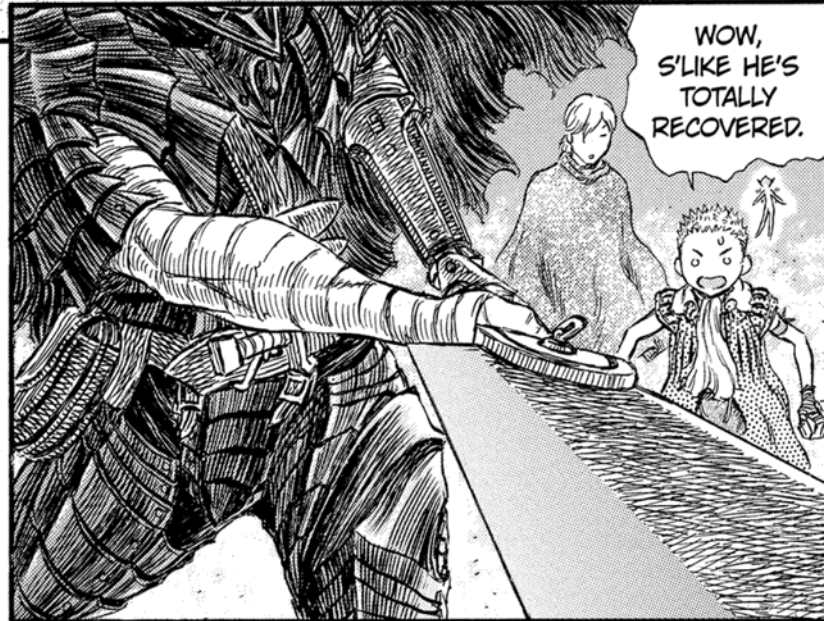
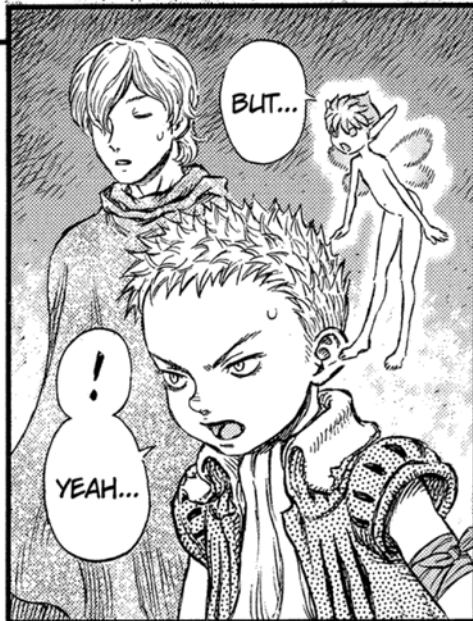




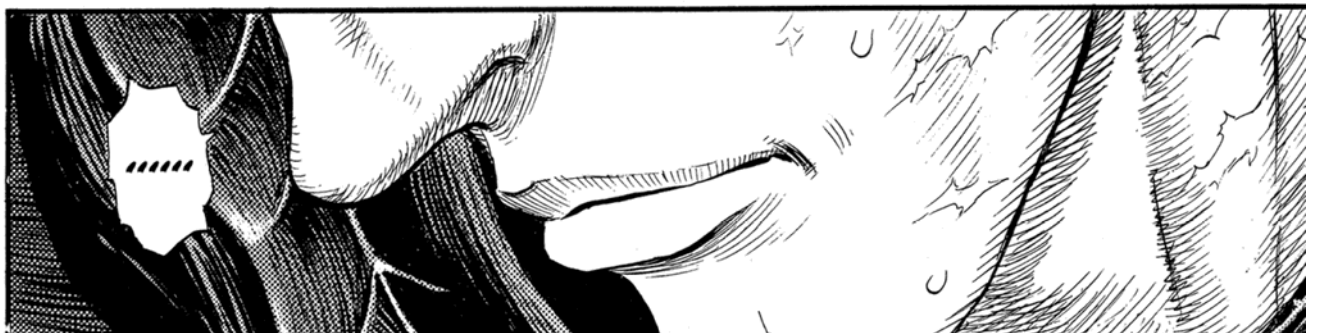






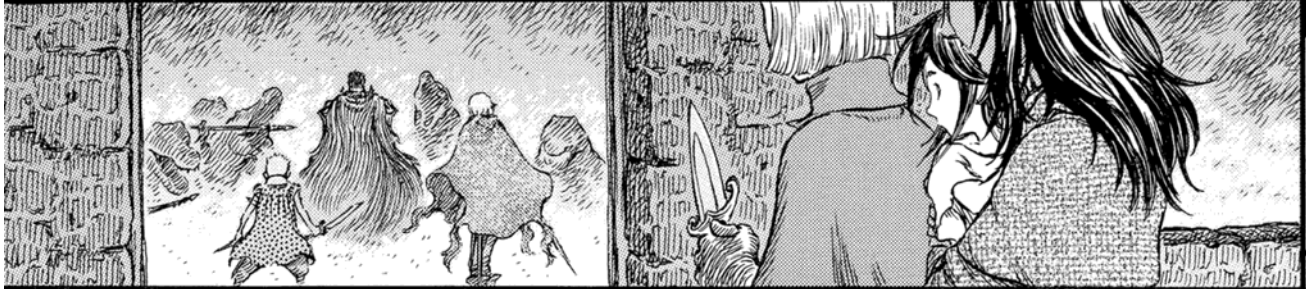


*FX: STRAIN





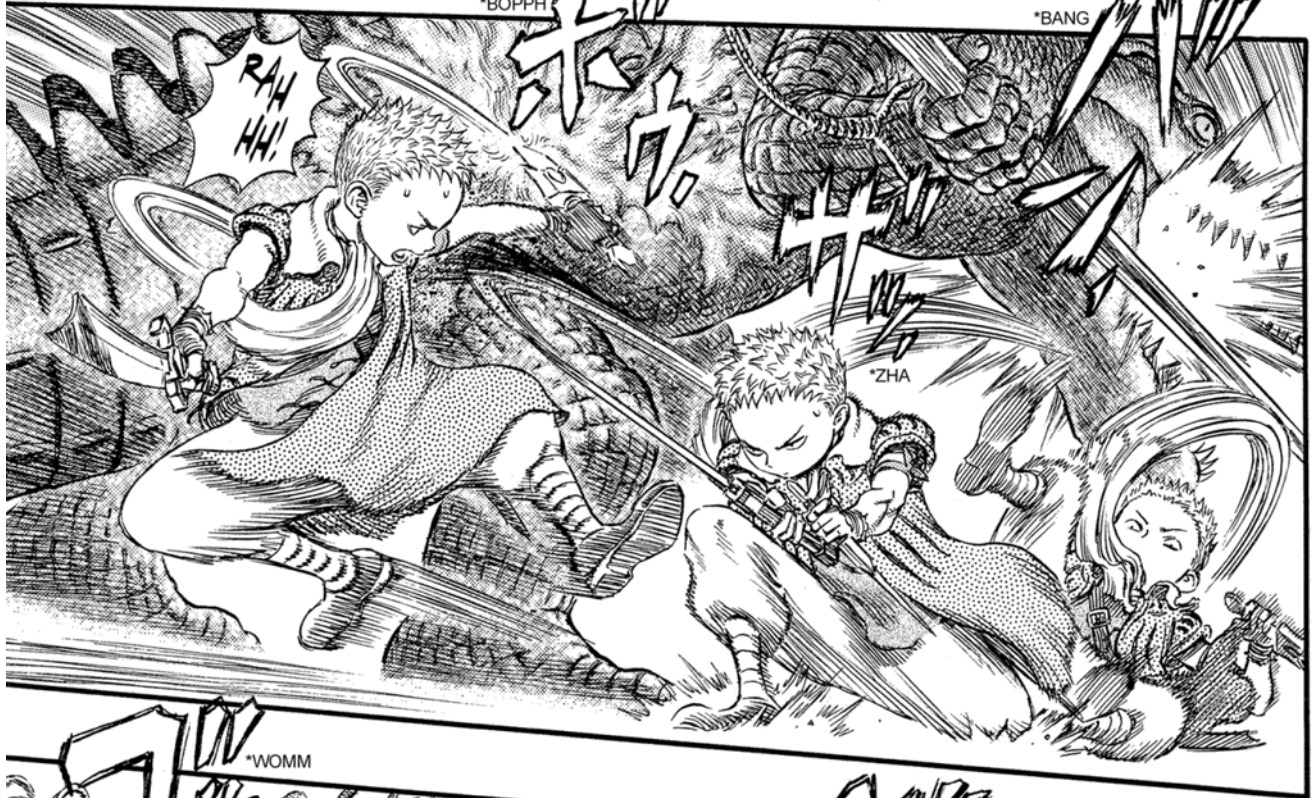
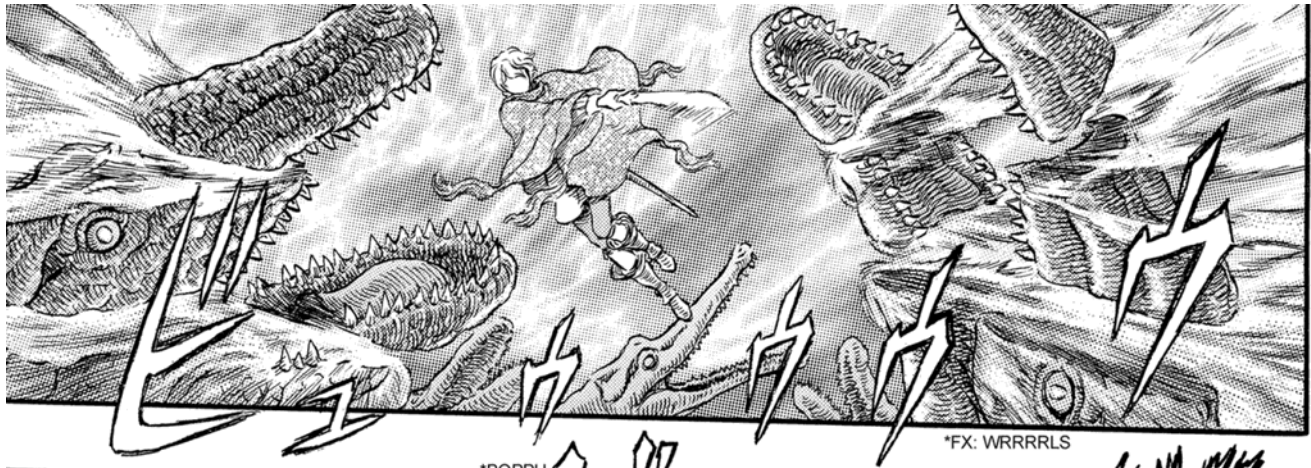
ALL
RIGHT
!!



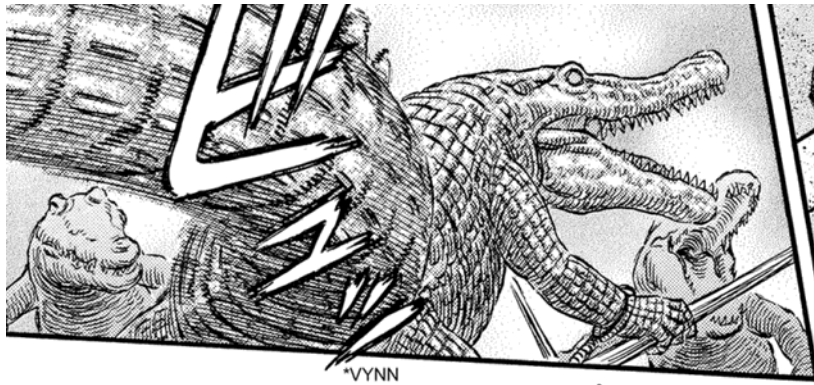
SUPERNATURAL FOG

怪霧

BERSERK







*VYNN



*CHOK



*SHUNK



*CHNK

*CHNK

I
FEEL
IT...

IT'S
AIMING FOR
A CHANCE
TO BE
RELEASED.

IT'S
SNIFFING
THE
SCENT
OF
BLOOD.

KEEP
YOUR HEAD
COOL.

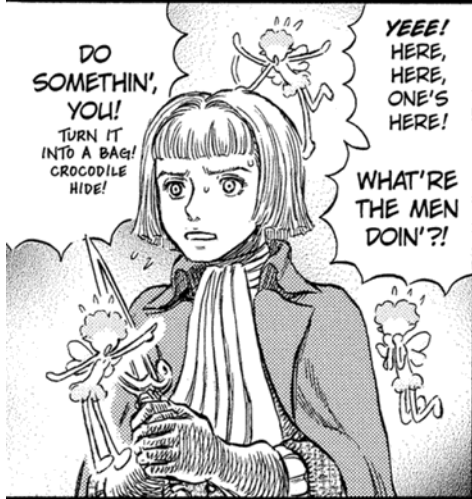
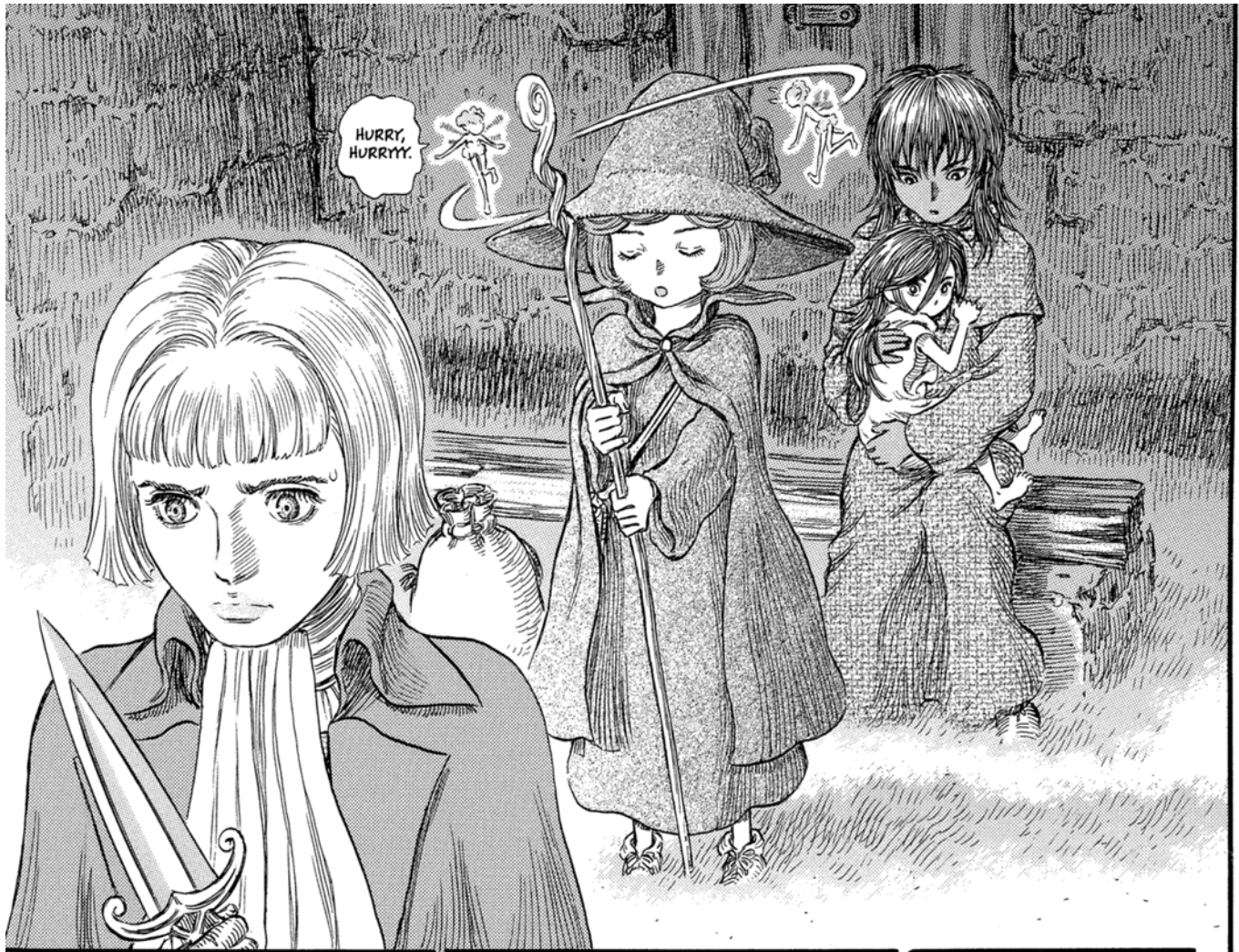
DON'T
YIELD
YOUR
MIND
TO IT.

ONLY
CONTROL
THE PAIN
ENOUGH
TO MOVE
FREELY.

DRAW
OUT THE
MINIMUM
POWER
OF THE
ARMOR.

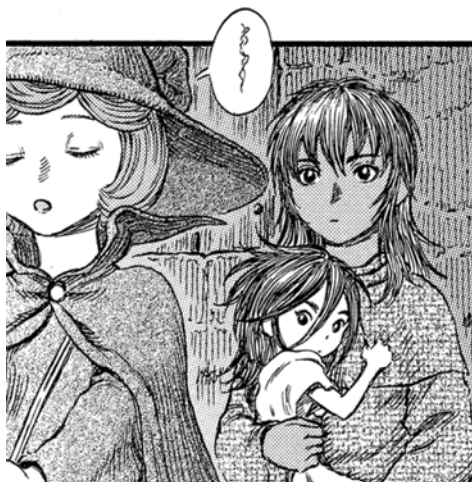
...IS
ME.

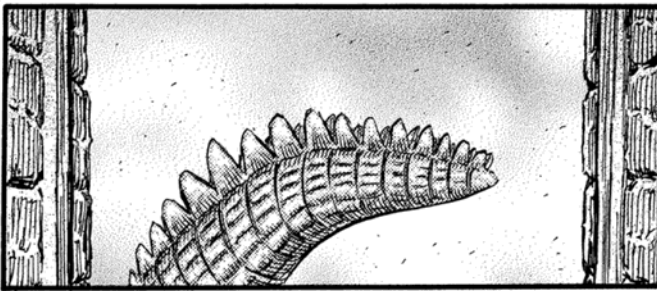
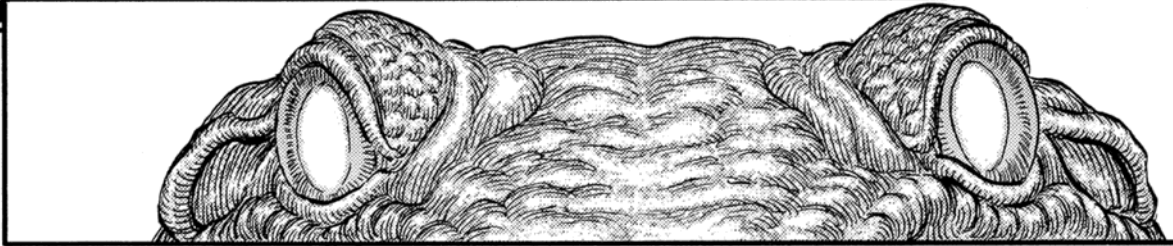
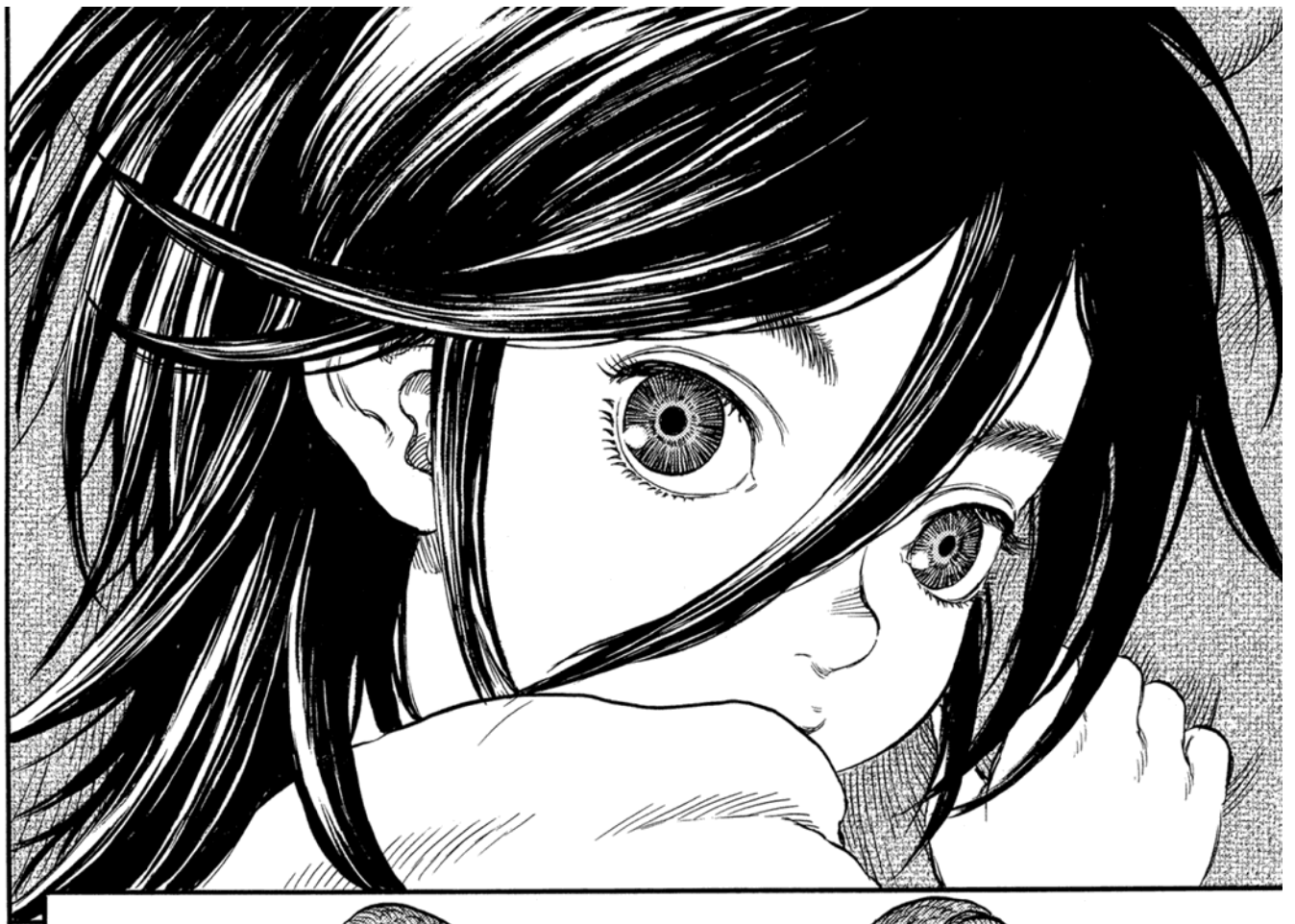
THE ONE
HOLDING
THE
REINS...



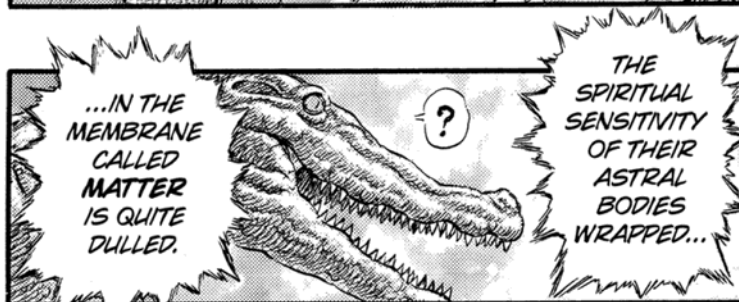
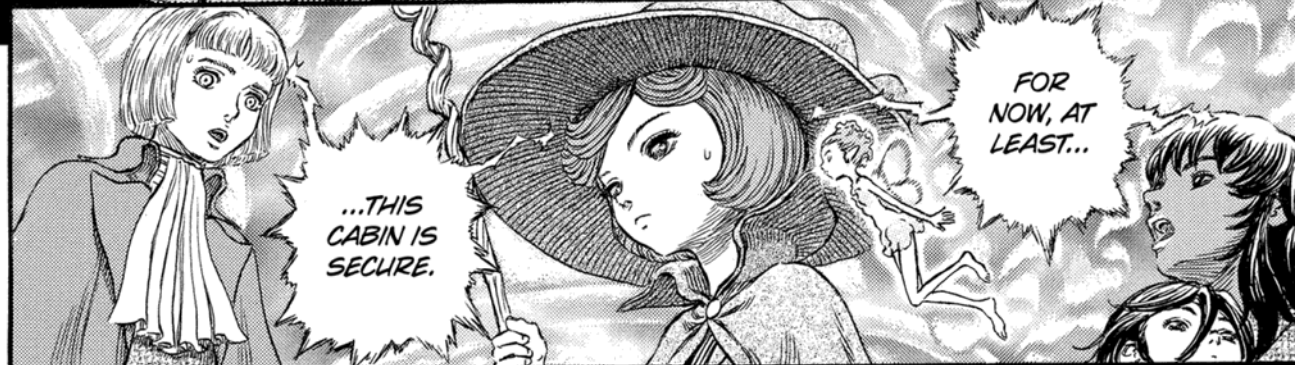
YEEE!
HERE, HERE,
ONE'S HERE!

WHAT'RE
THE MEN
DOIN'?!
HURRY!











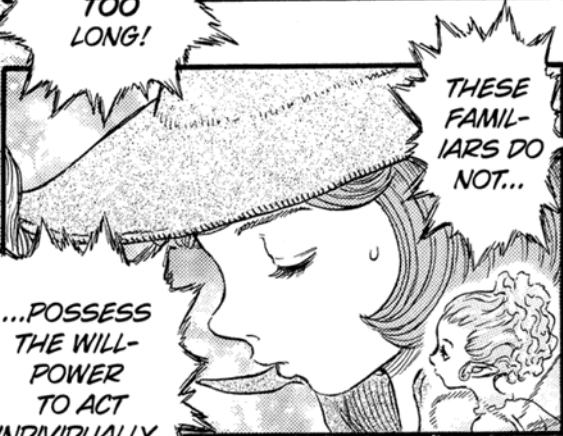
IF YOU
DEFEAT
HIM...

THERE IS
SURE TO BE
A NEARBY
SPELLCASTER
CONTROLLING
THE MOB.



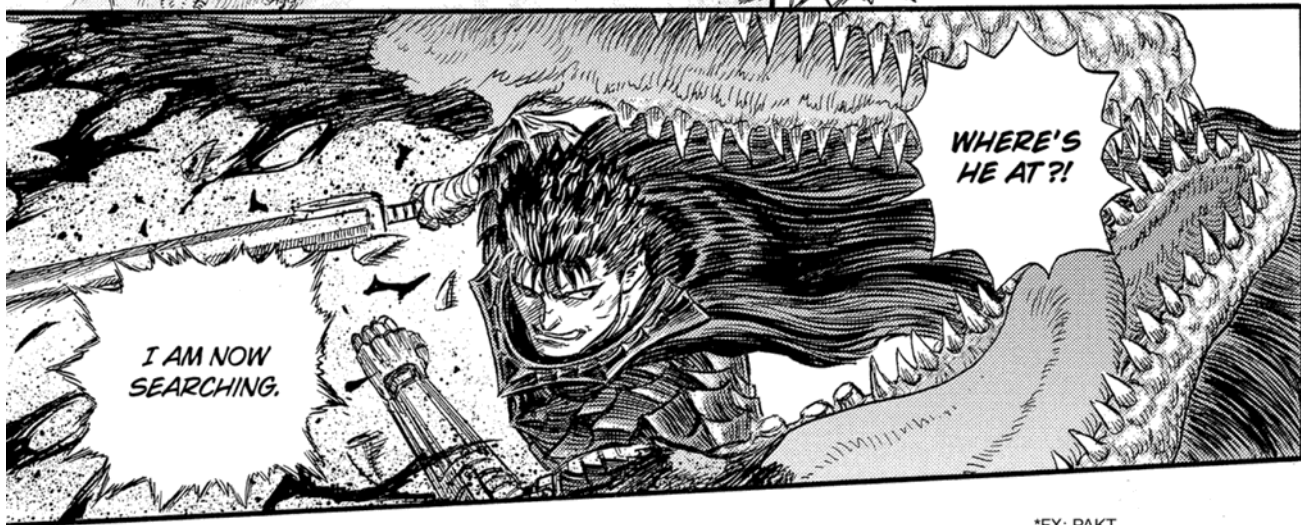
IN OTHER WORDS,
TAKE CARE OF
THESE THINGS
BEFORE THAT ?!

THAT
WILL TAKE
TOO
LONG!



THESE
FAMIL-
IARS DO
NOT...

...POSSESS
THE WILL-
POWER
TO ACT
INDIVIDUALLY.



I AM NOW
SEARCHING.

WHERE'S
HE AT ?!

*FX: SHOPT

*FX: PAKT



JUST DO
IT QUICK,
MISS
WITCH!

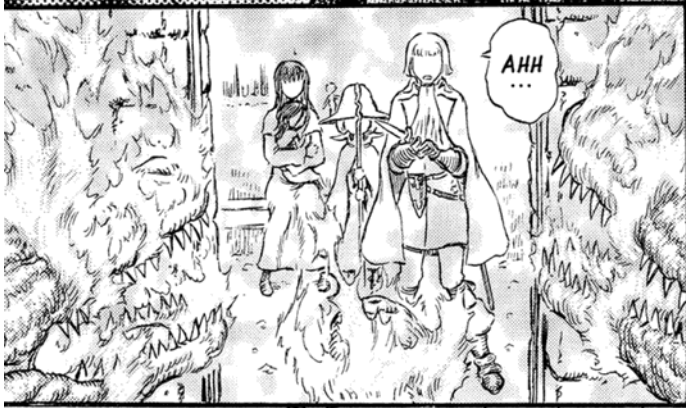
PICK
SPARK!

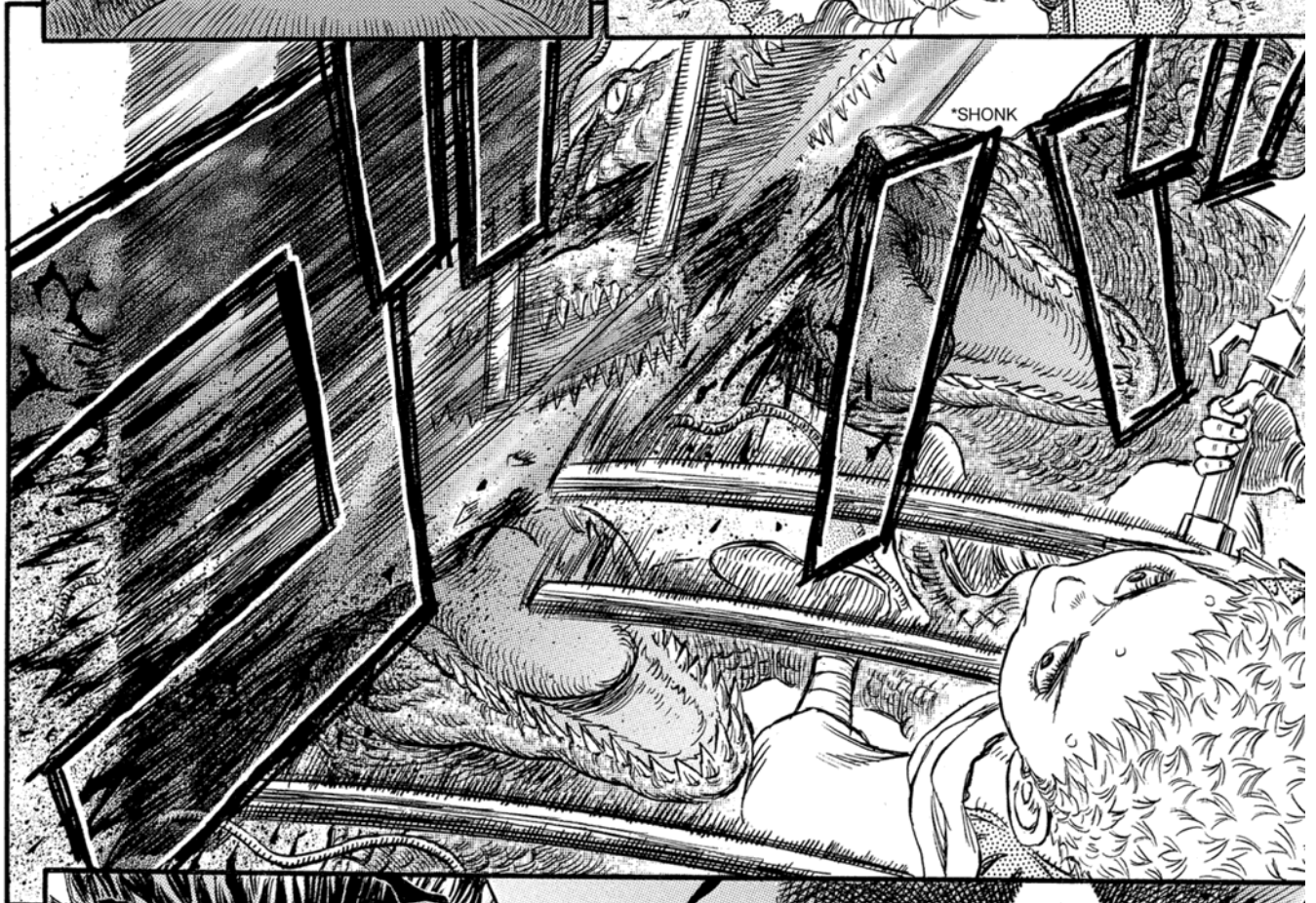
*ZHFA

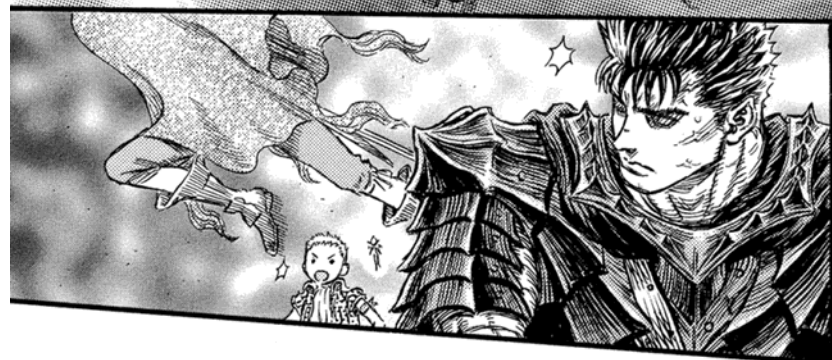


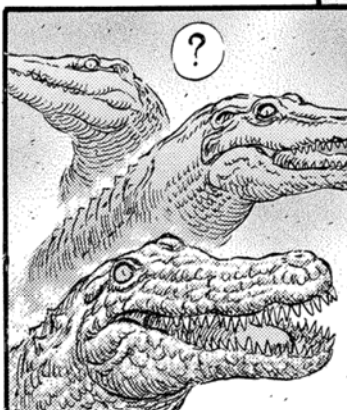
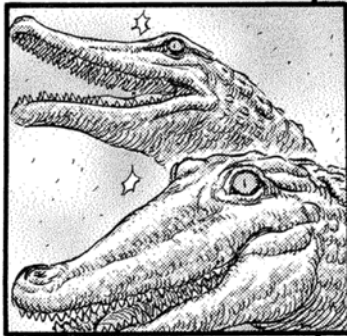
*FX: BLACH!!

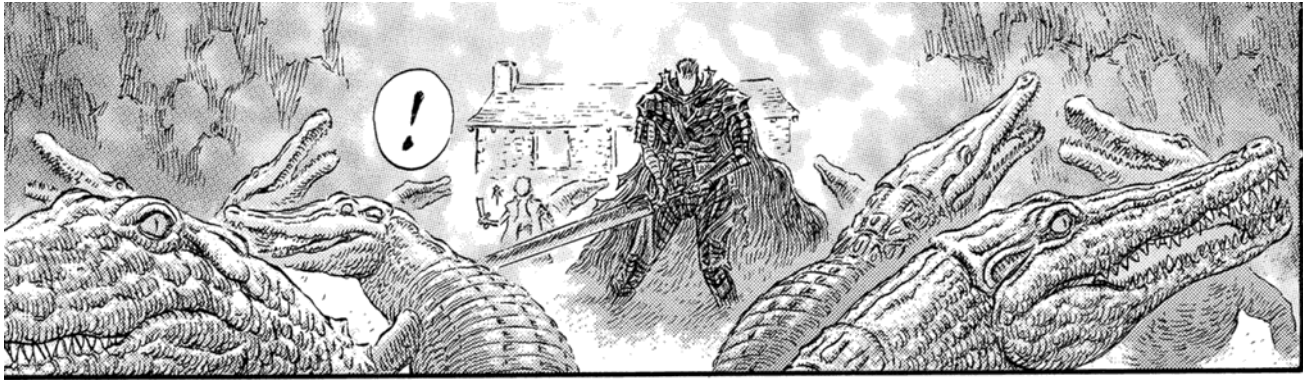




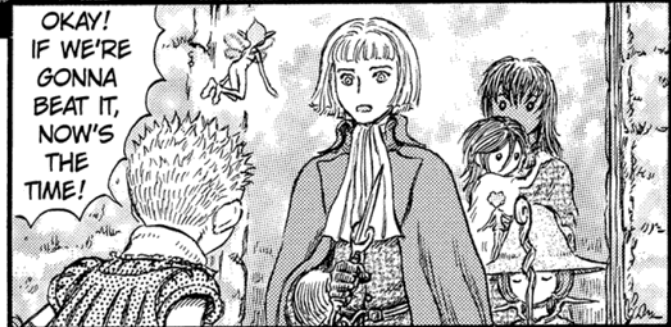
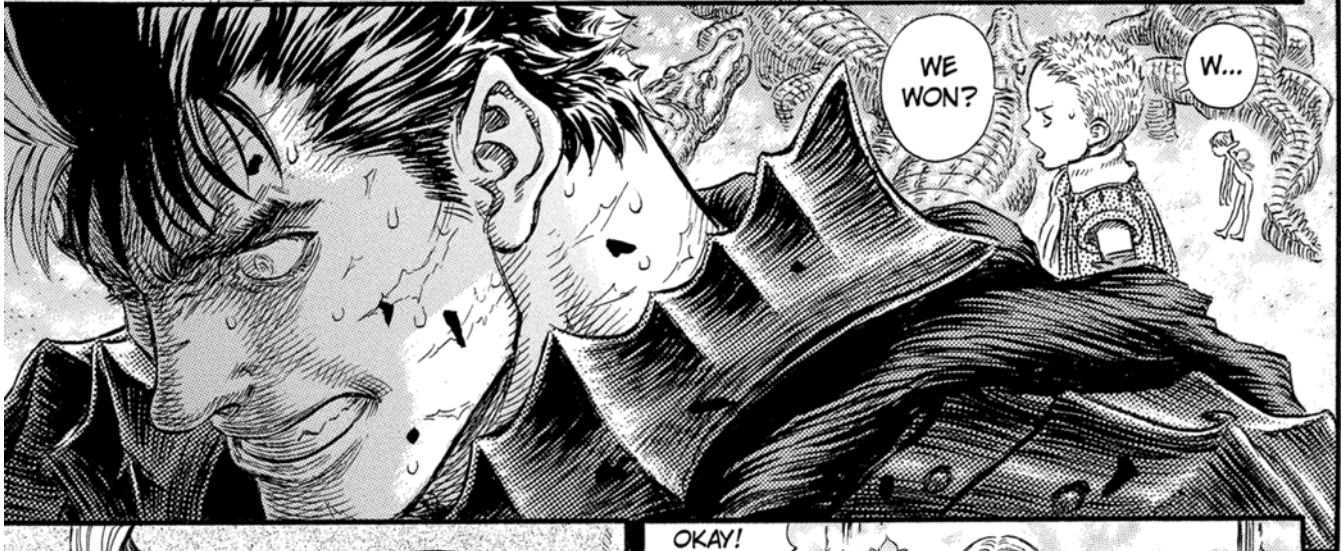
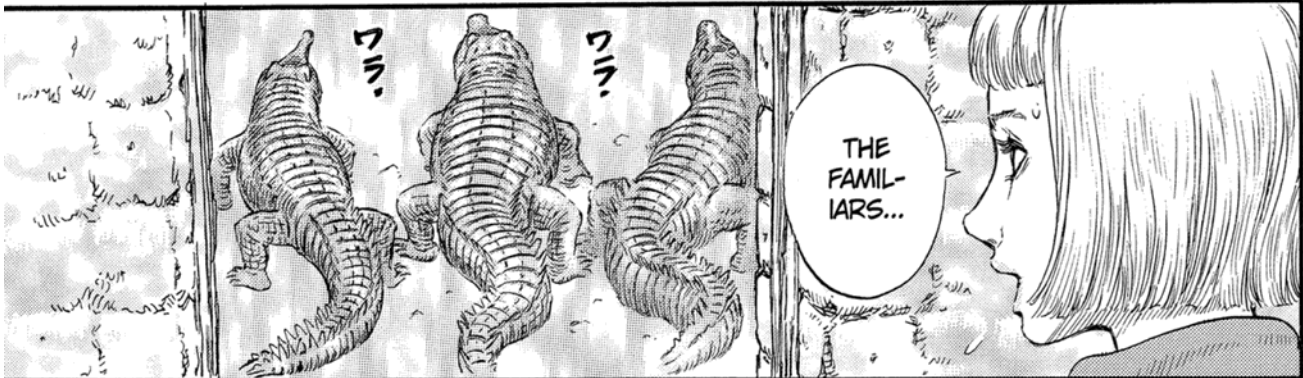


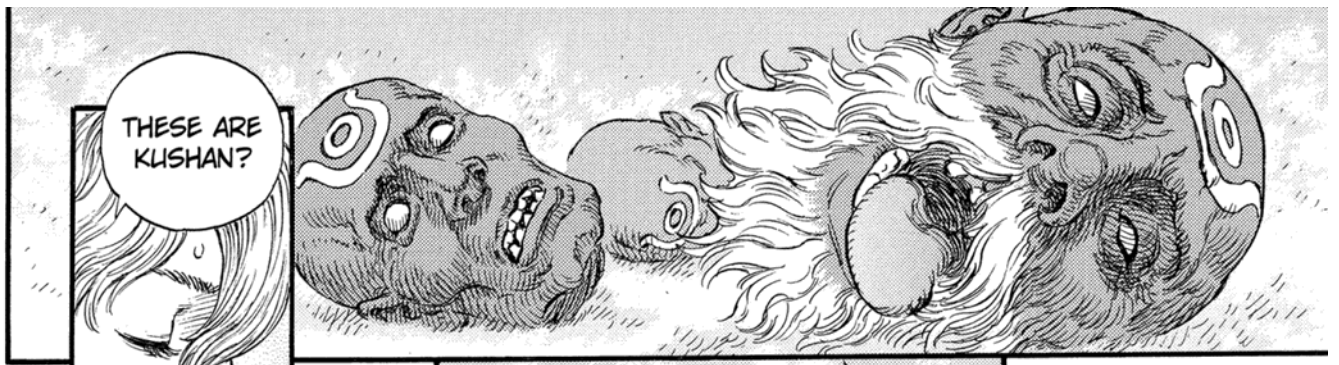




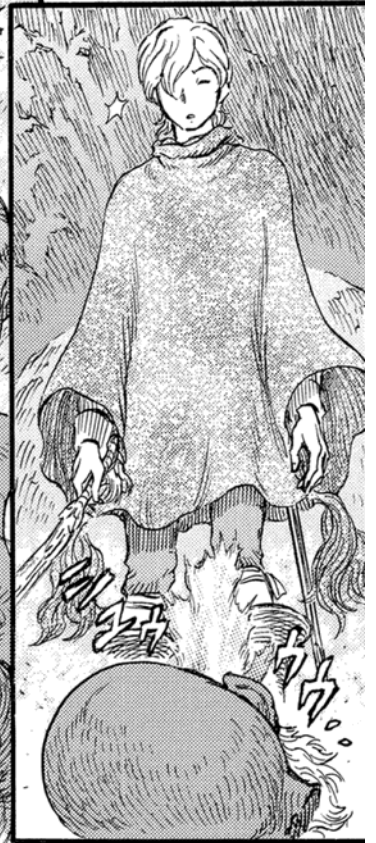


*FX: CREEP CREEP

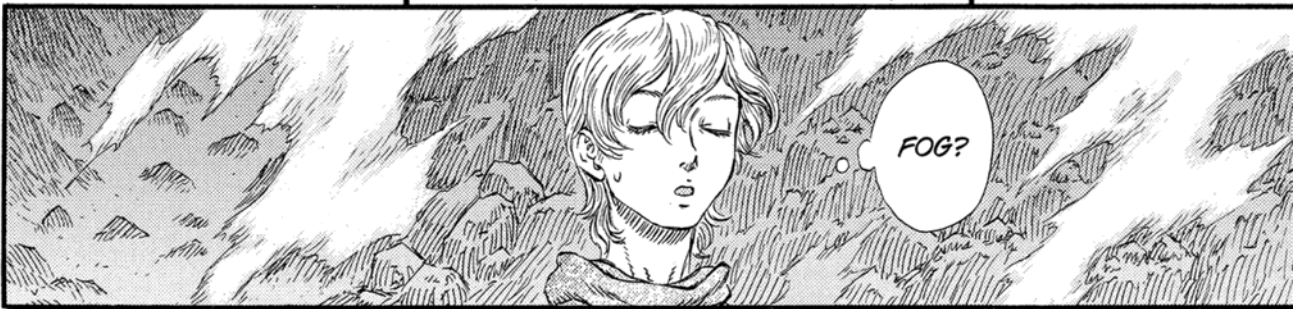




*FX: FWOHH



*FX: SSSSSS



*FX: ZZZZSH

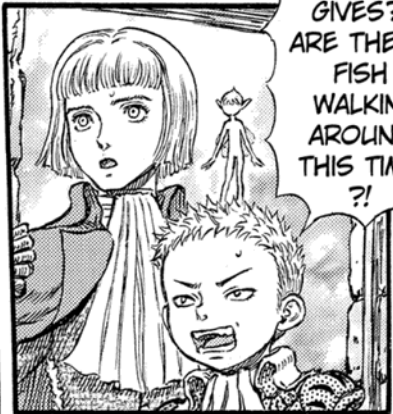
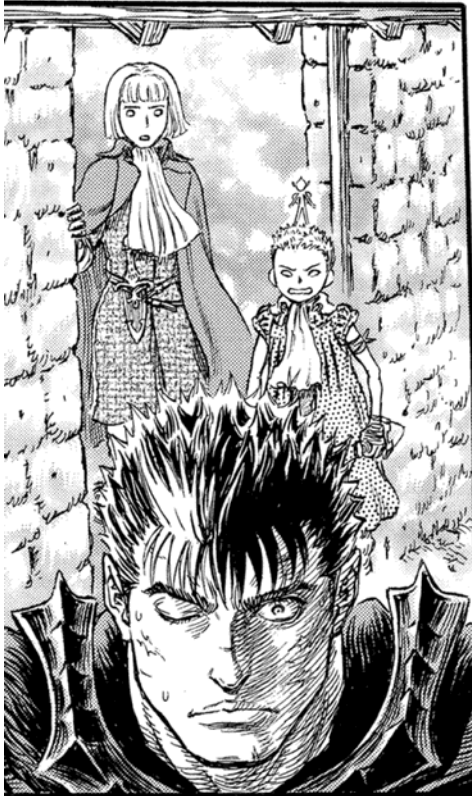




*FX: ZHAAAAAAA



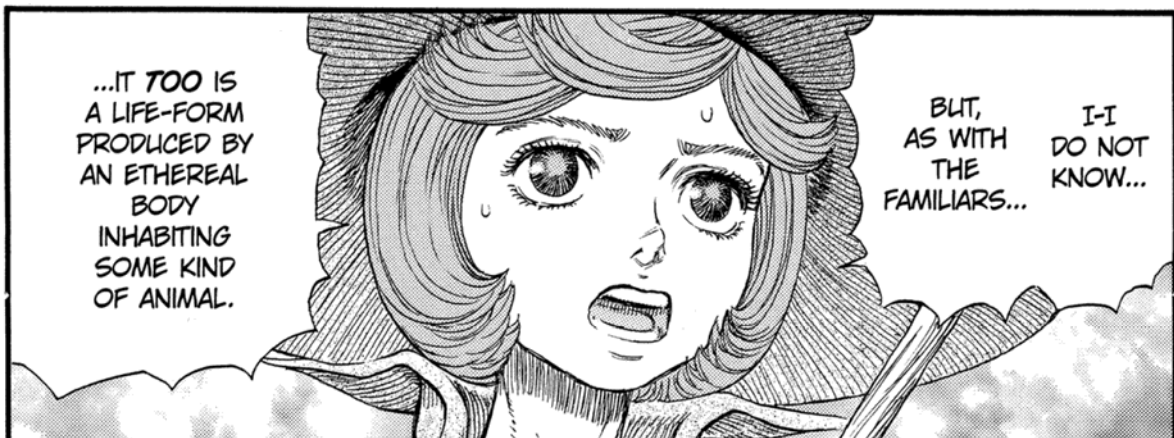
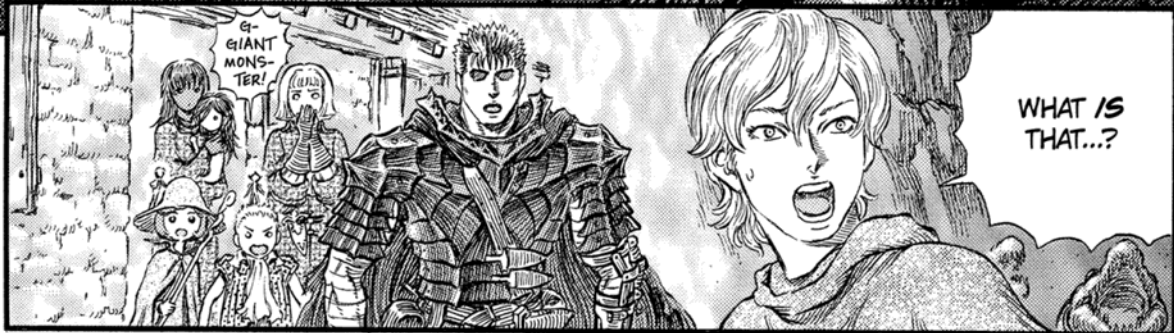
*FX: DSSSSSH





SEA BEAST (MAKARA)
海獣(マカラ)

BERSERK





*FX: HSHAHHH



*FX: GSSSH

*FX: DZZZZH



IF IT WERE JUST AN ETHEREAL BODY, PERHAPS...! BUT MY BULWARK CANNOT STOP AN OBJECT *THAT* HUGE! IF IT STORMS US, THE CABIN AND EVERY-THING ELSE WILL BE FLATTENED!



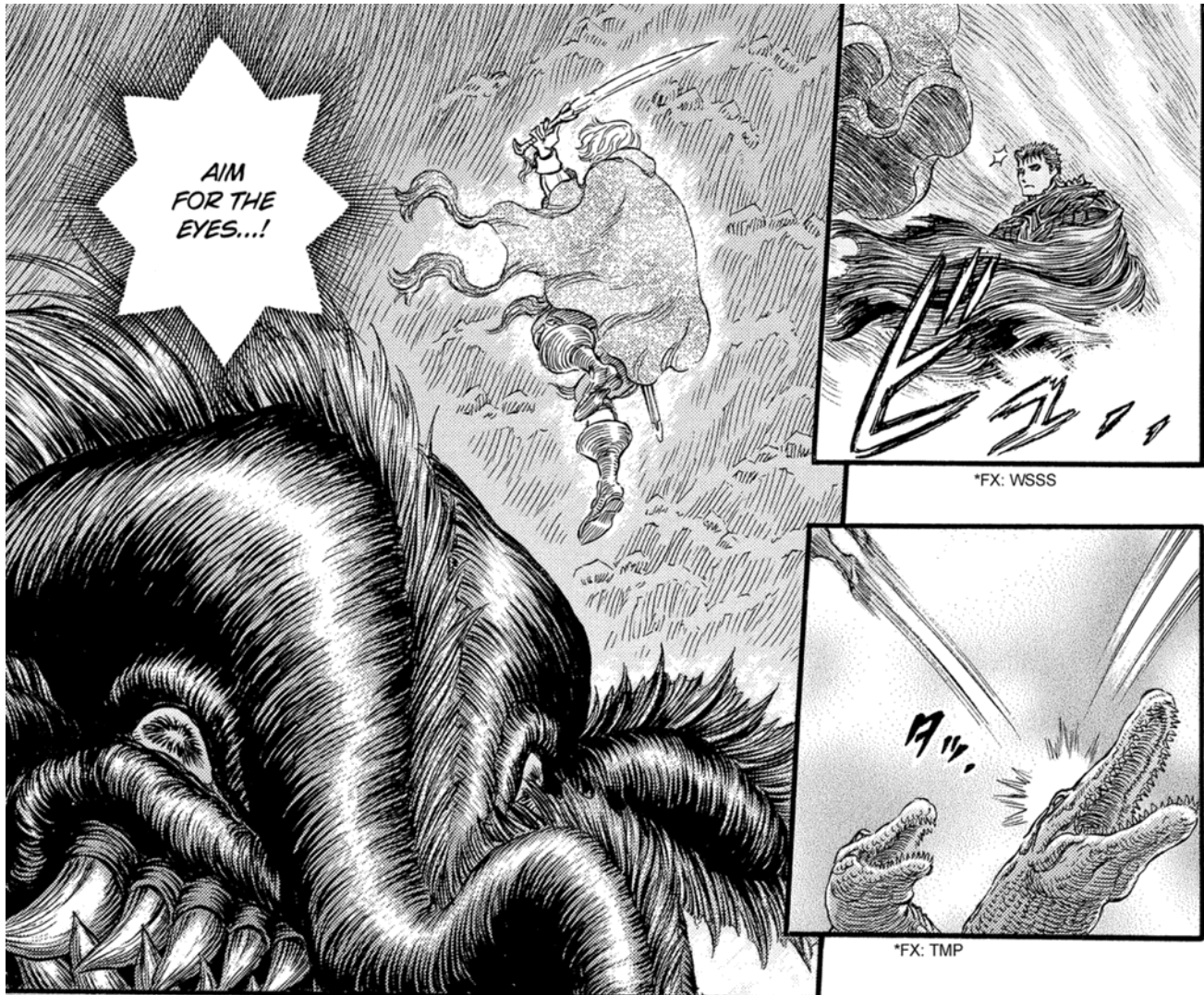
*BIIIRRRN

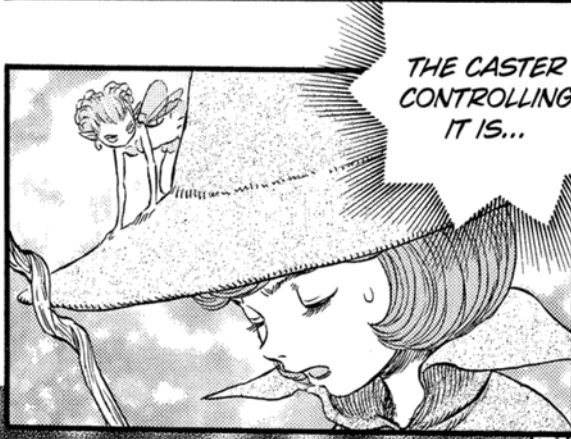
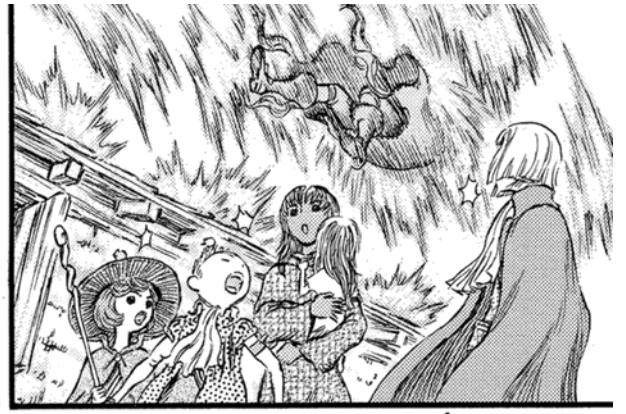
*DZZZZH

KAIJU HANA-GON.

IT'S BIGGER 'N AN OGRE!

TH-THERE'S SOME ANIMAL LIKE THAT?!







*FX: WHOMM

*FX: CLATA CLATA



YOUR
MAGIC
AIN'T
WORKIN'!

YOU BE
QUIET,
MON-
KEYS!

IT DOESN'T
EVEN CARE
ABOUT THE
BULWARK...
IT'S TOO
DENSE!

SPIRITUAL
SPELLS
ALONE
WON'T
WORK!

PHYSICAL
PHENOM-
ENA HAVE
TO ACCOM-
PANY THE
SPELL....!

*GCHAK



T...
TALK ABOUT
STRENGTH.

SHOUT
STRENGTH



*ZHA



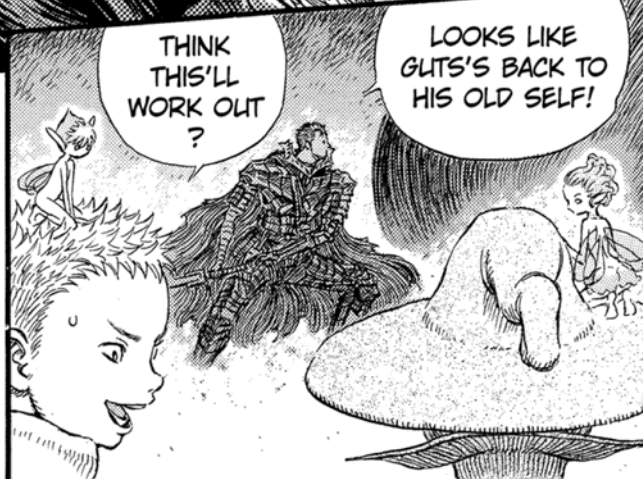
YOU MUSTN'T!
IF YOU
CONTINUE
FIGHTING...

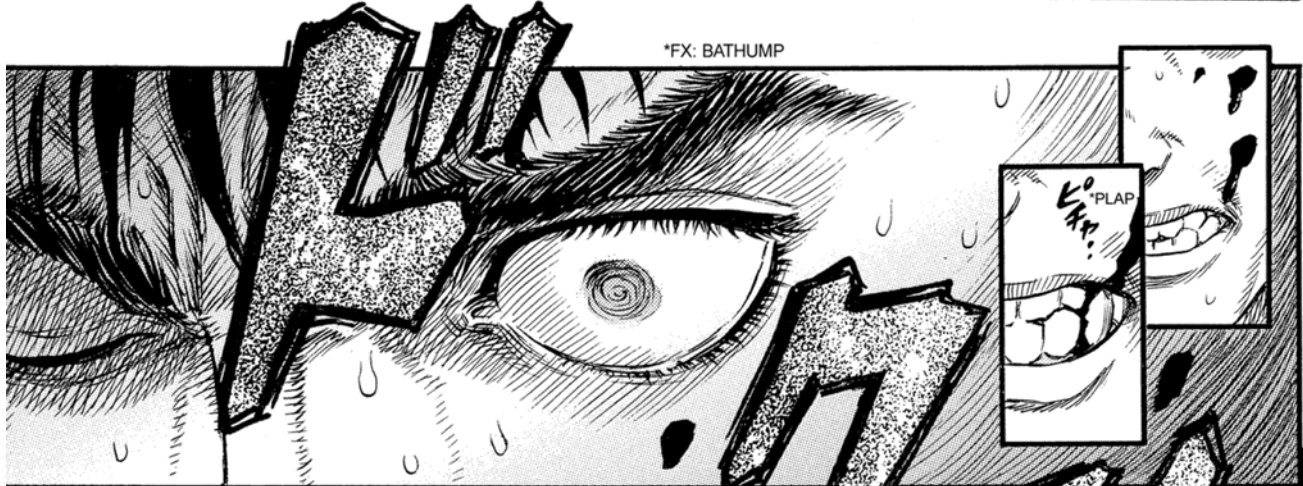
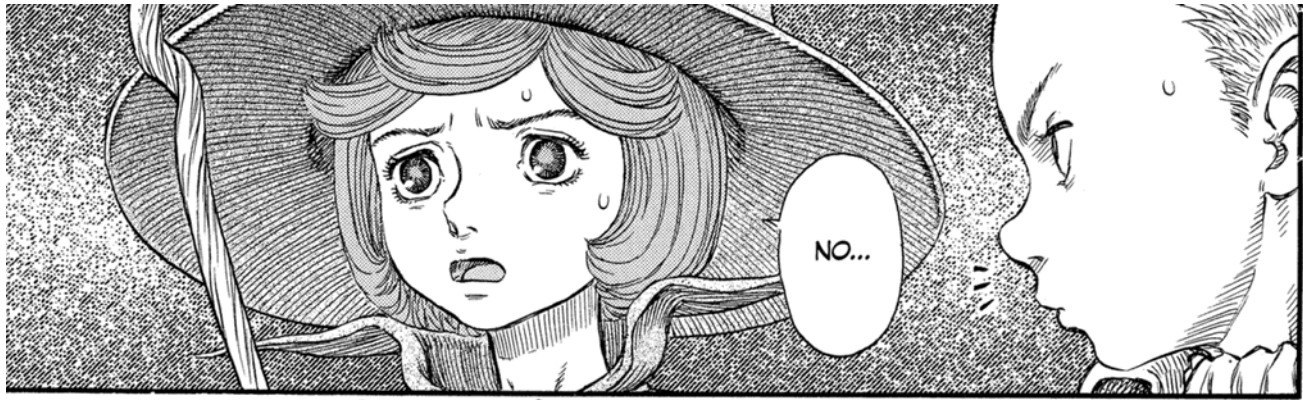


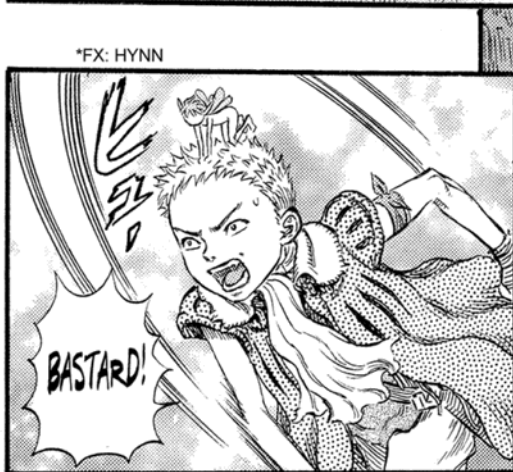
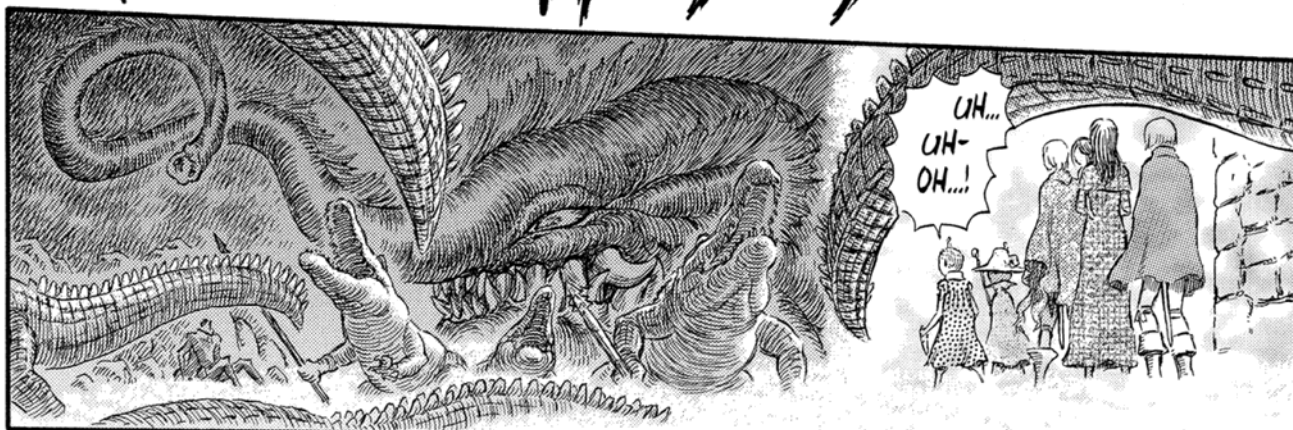
GUTS
!!









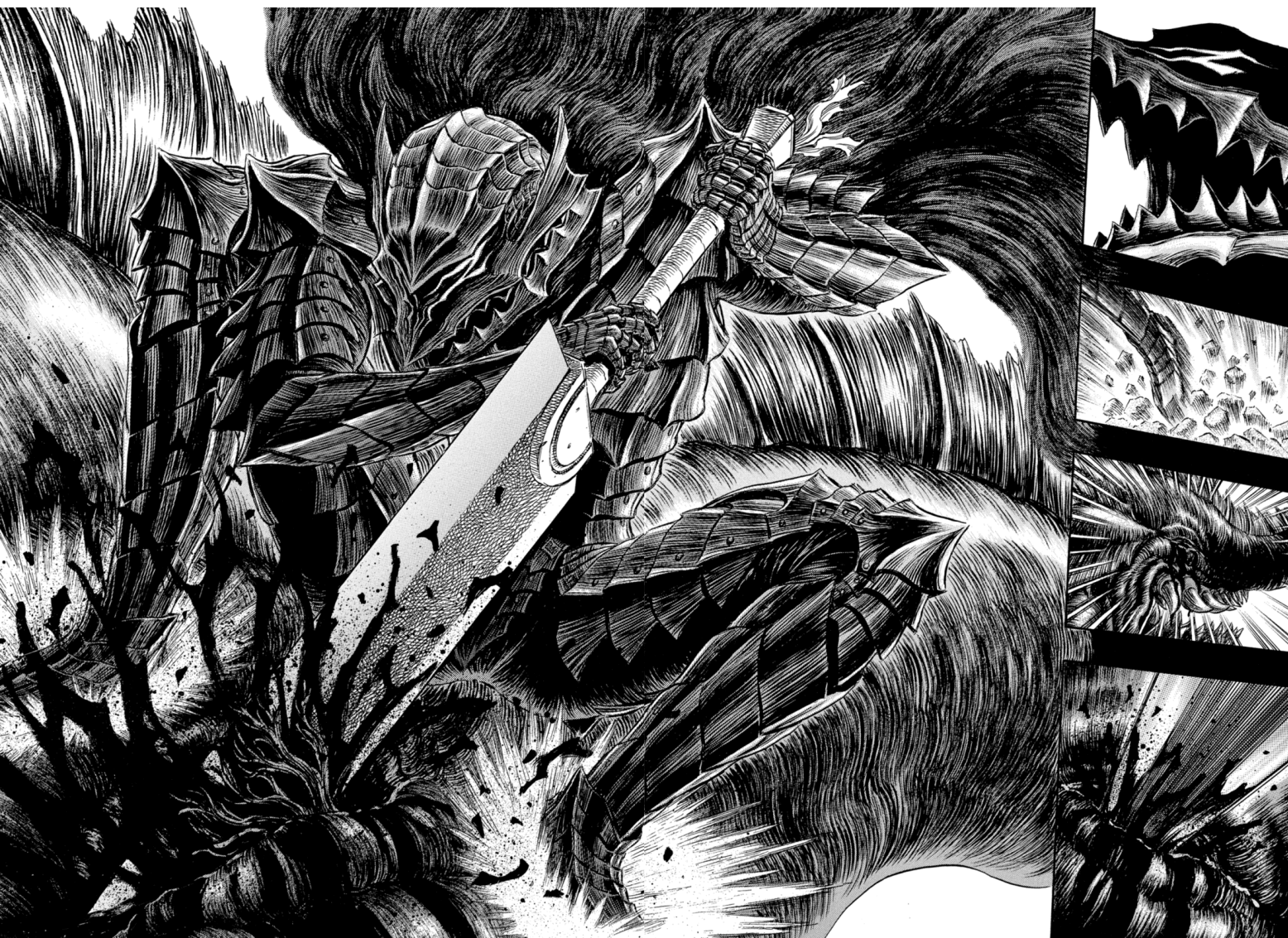




*FX: DZZZH















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*RORLLL

アッ

*PULSE



*TAK



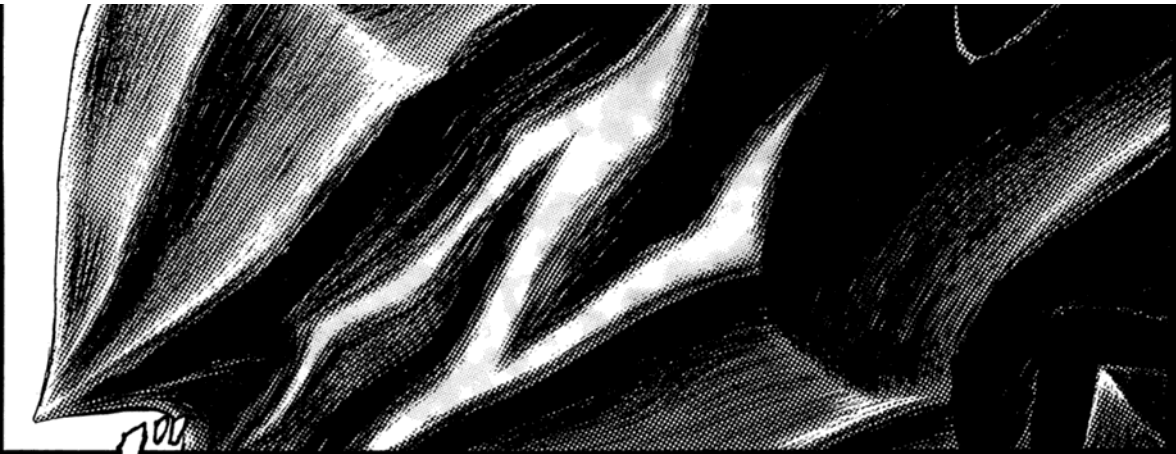
...DRAW
HIM
BACK.

I WILL...

THE ROAR OF THE SEA
海鳴り

BERSERK



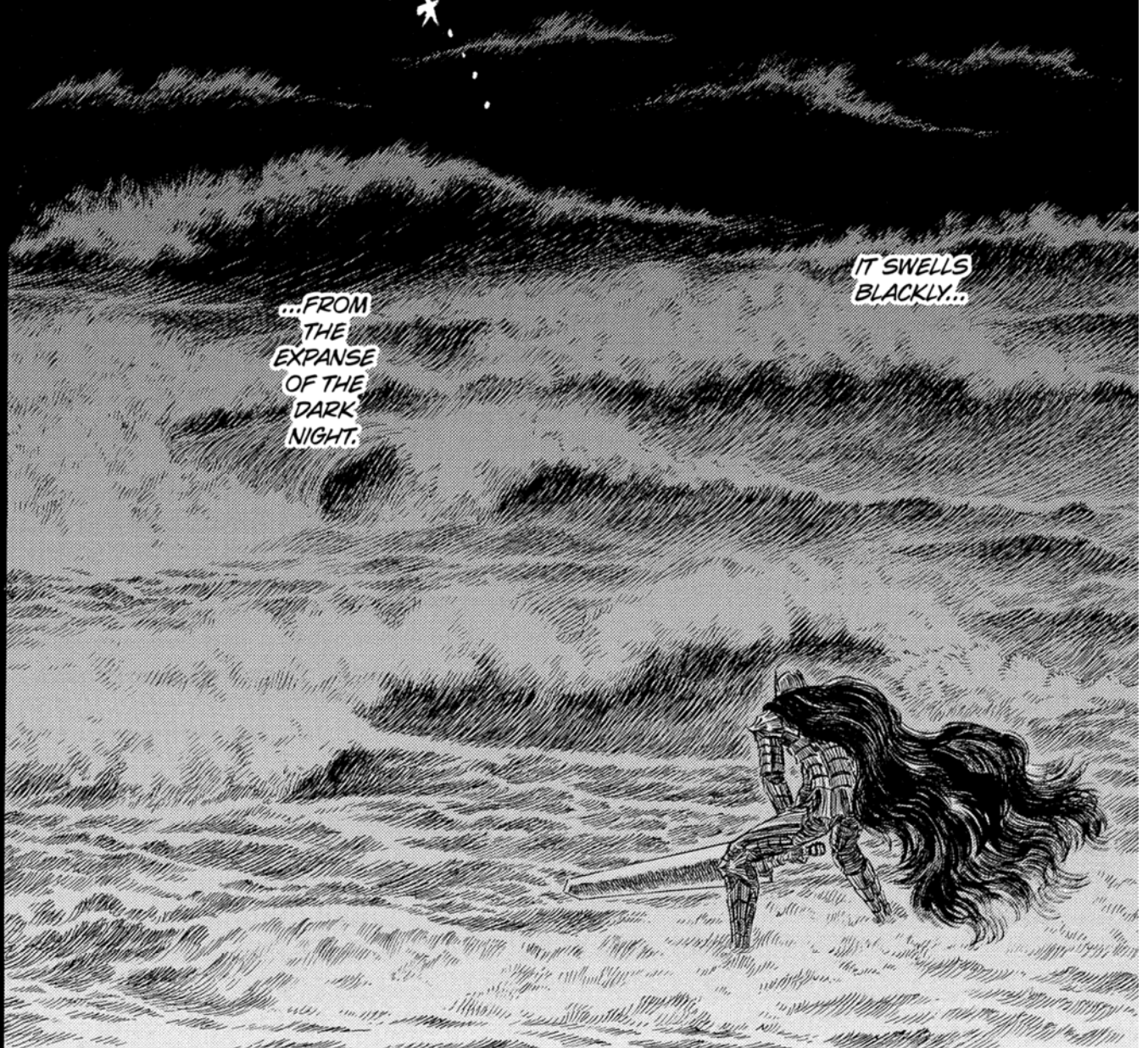


LOL

*DOOOOSSSH



THE
ROAR
OF THE
SEA...?



...FROM
THE
EXPANSE
OF THE
DARK
NIGHT.

IT SWELLS
BLACKLY...

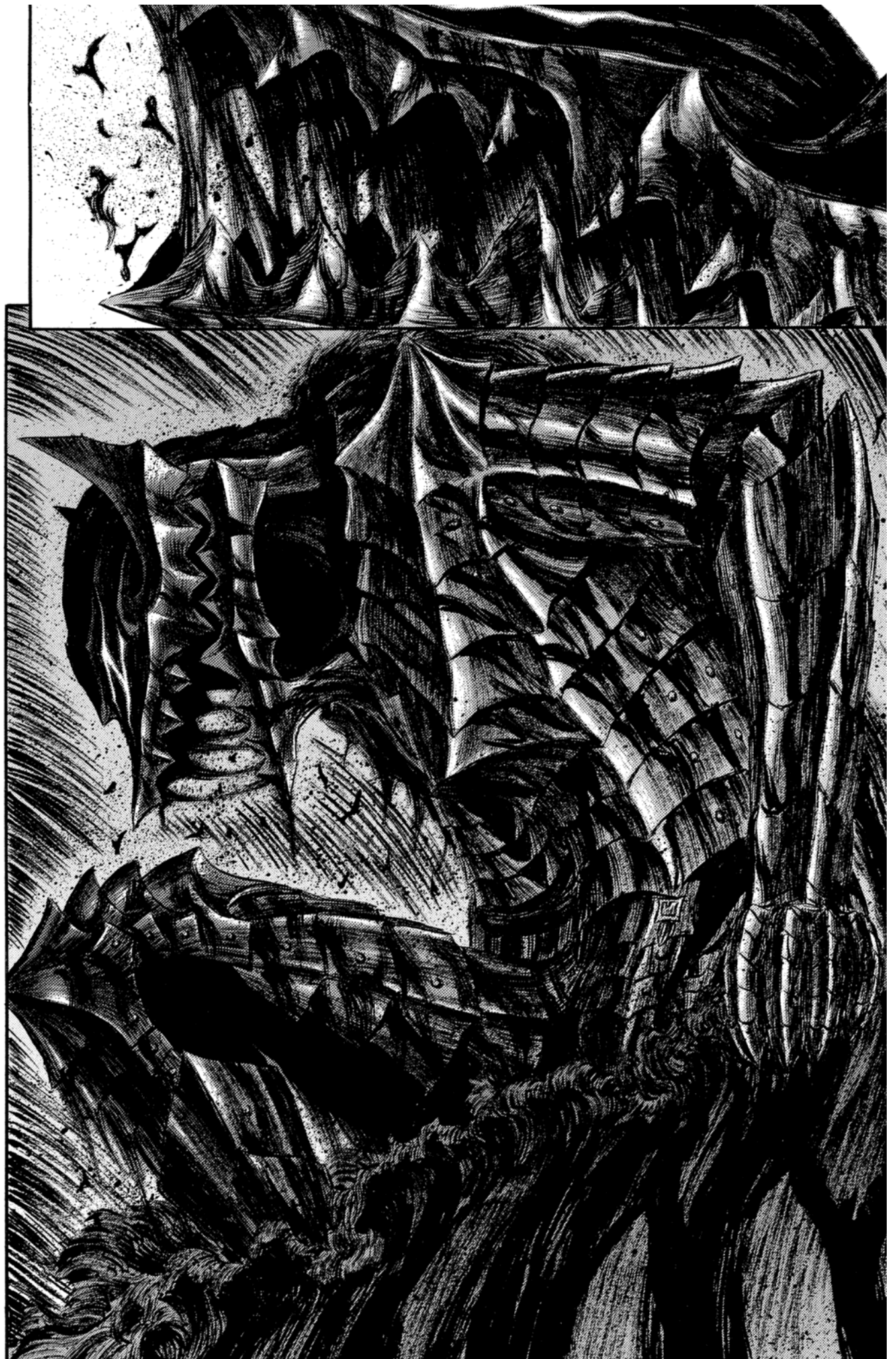


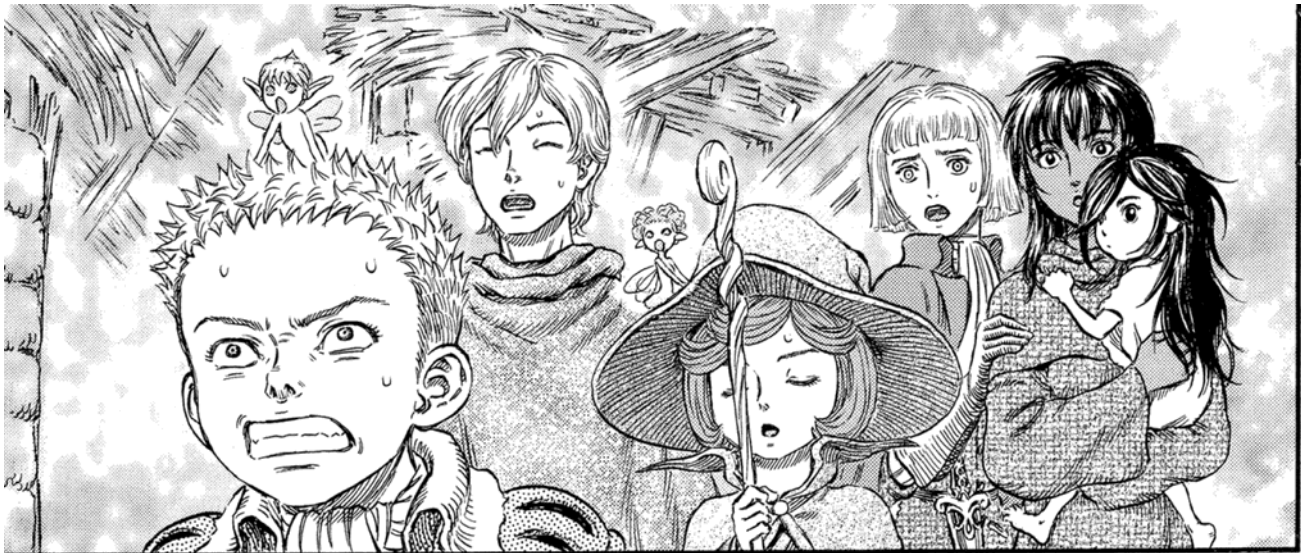
IT DRAWS
ME DOWN
TO THE
DEEP SEA
BED.

A
BOOMING
LIKE A
ROAR.



*SHWOCK





*FX: HSSSS HSSSS



*FX: RRRRR



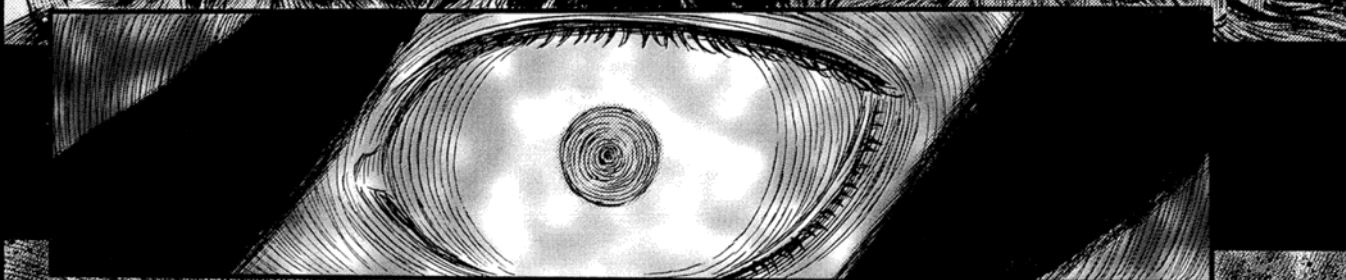
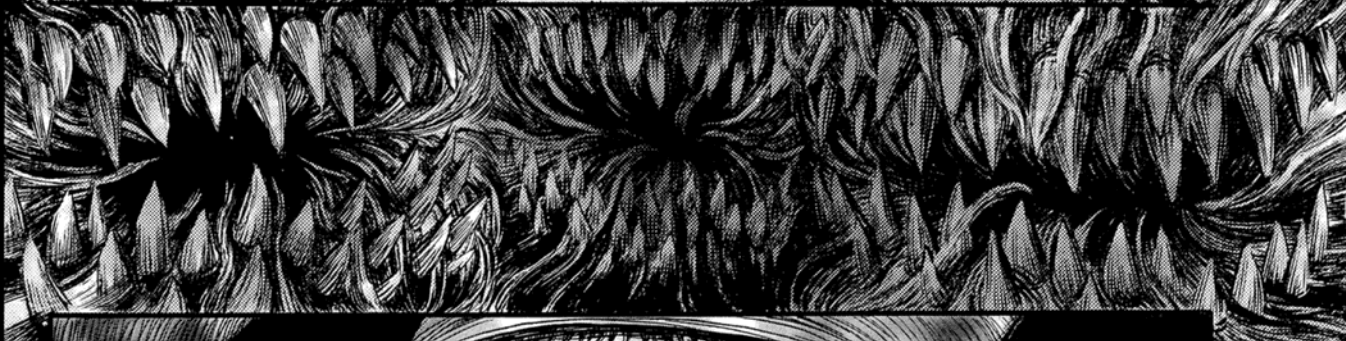
*LEAP



*SHWOP

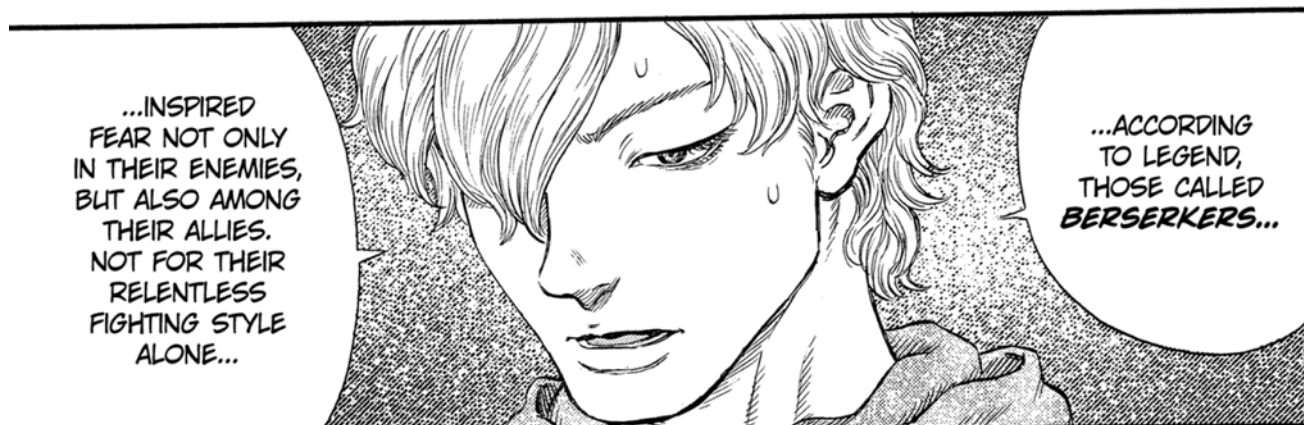
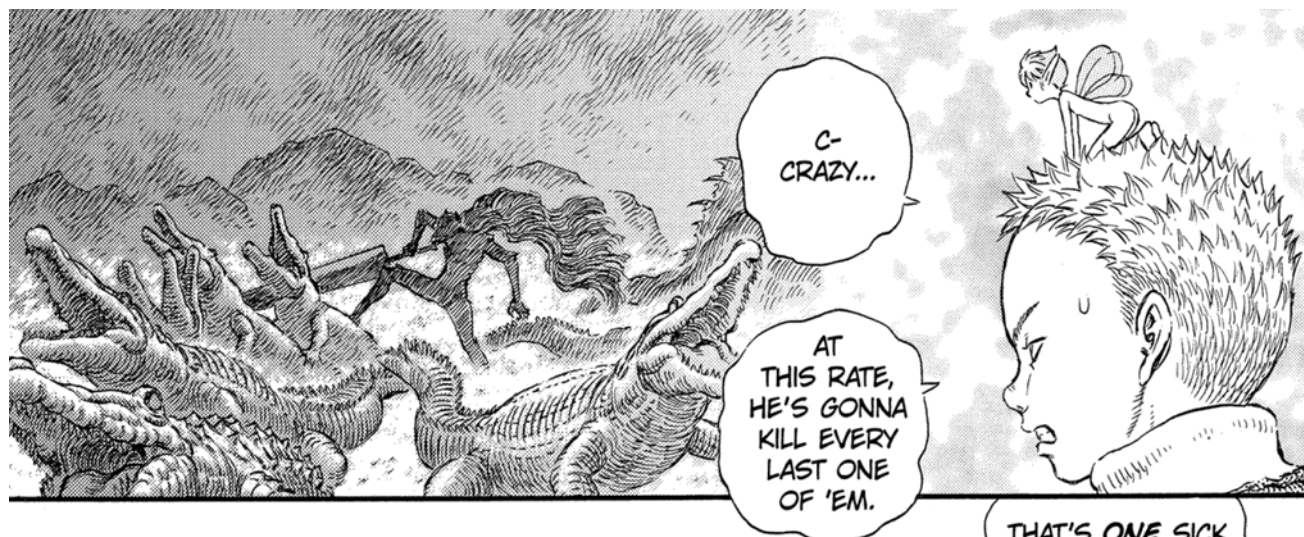


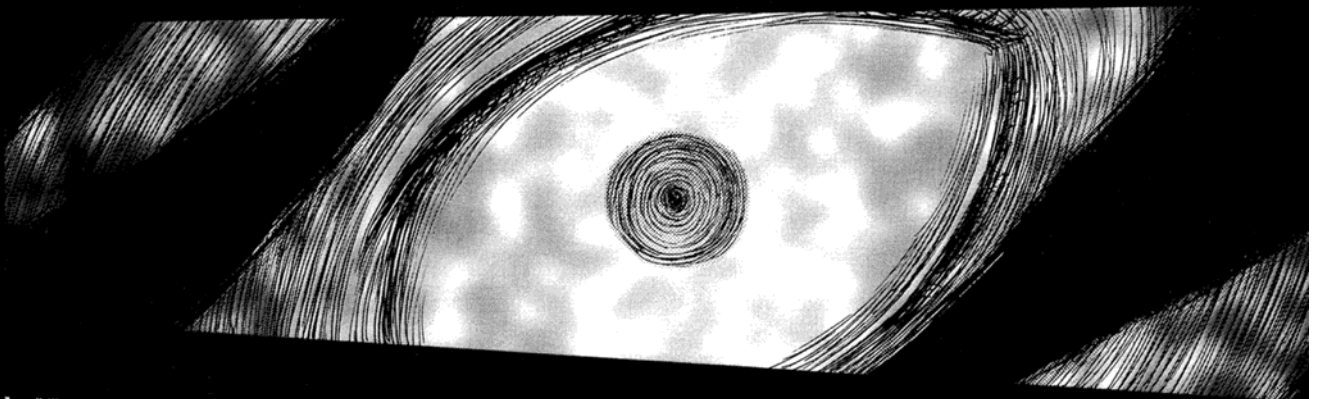
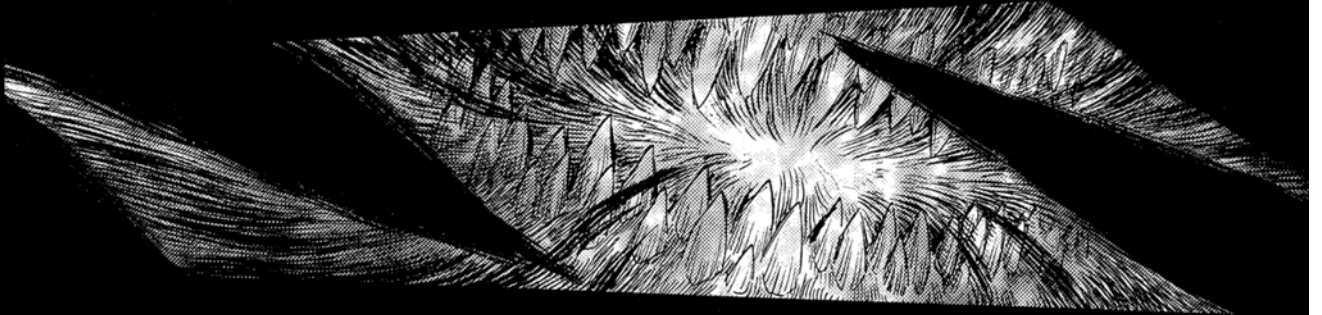
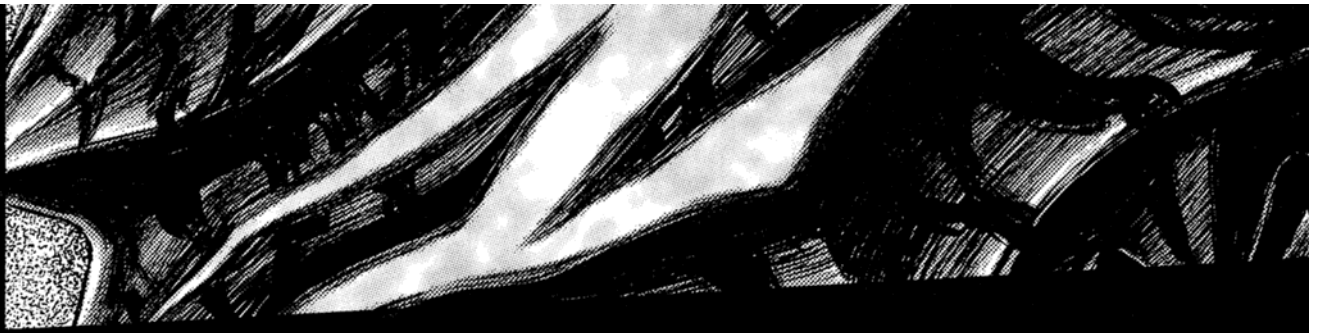
*VSSSSH



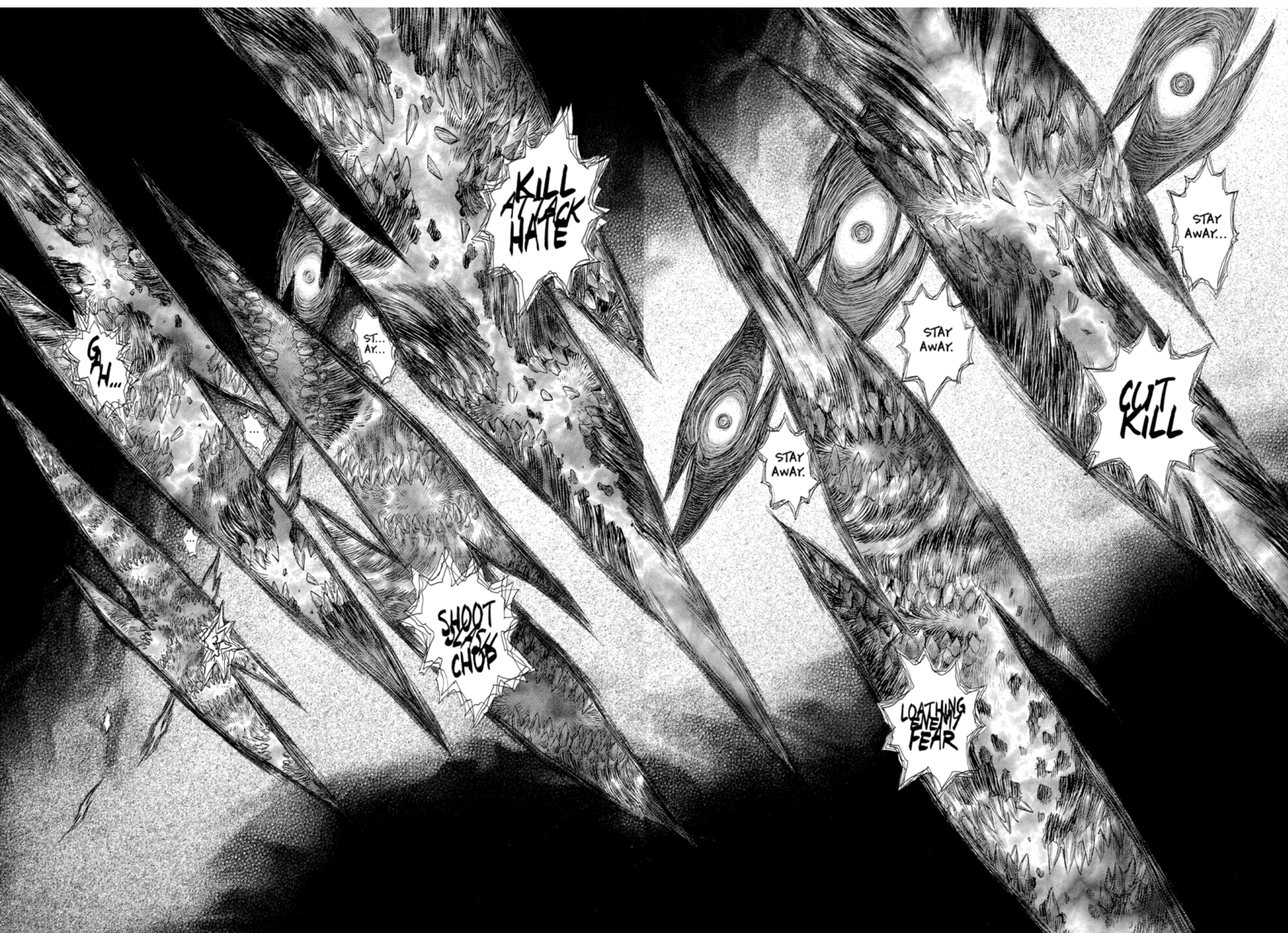












KILL
HATE

GH...

ST...
AY...

SHOOT
CHOP

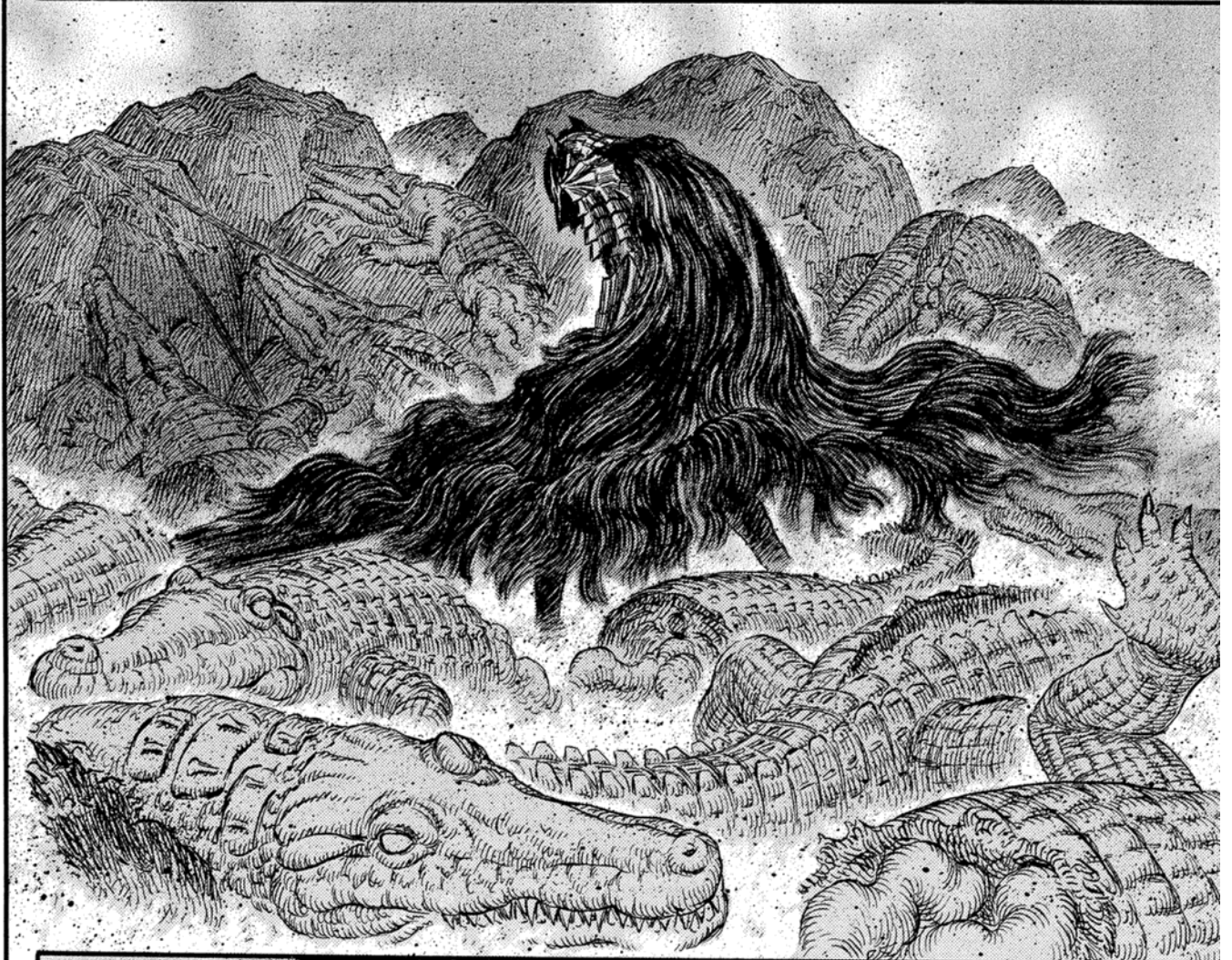
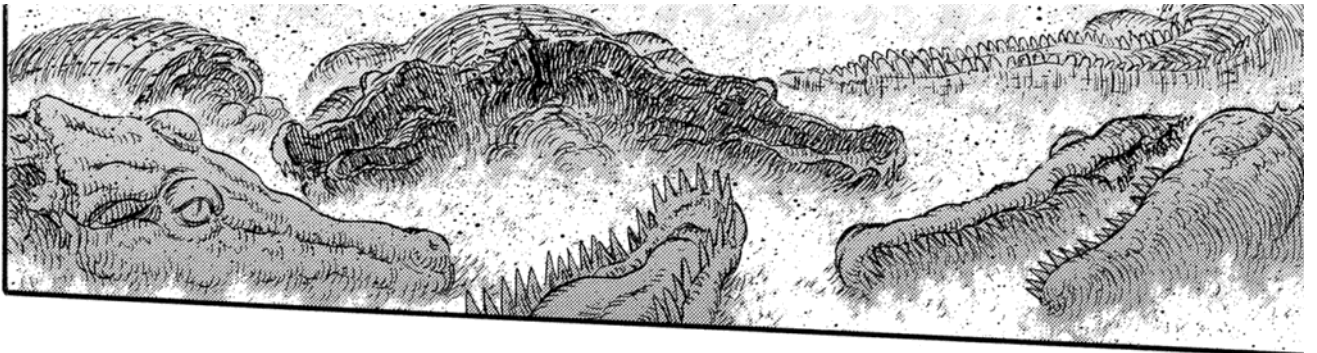
STAY
AWAY.

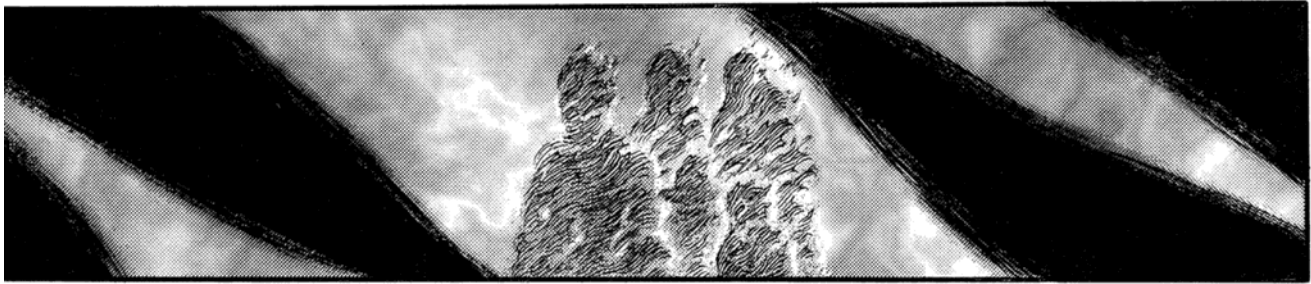
STAY
AWAY.

QUIT
KILL

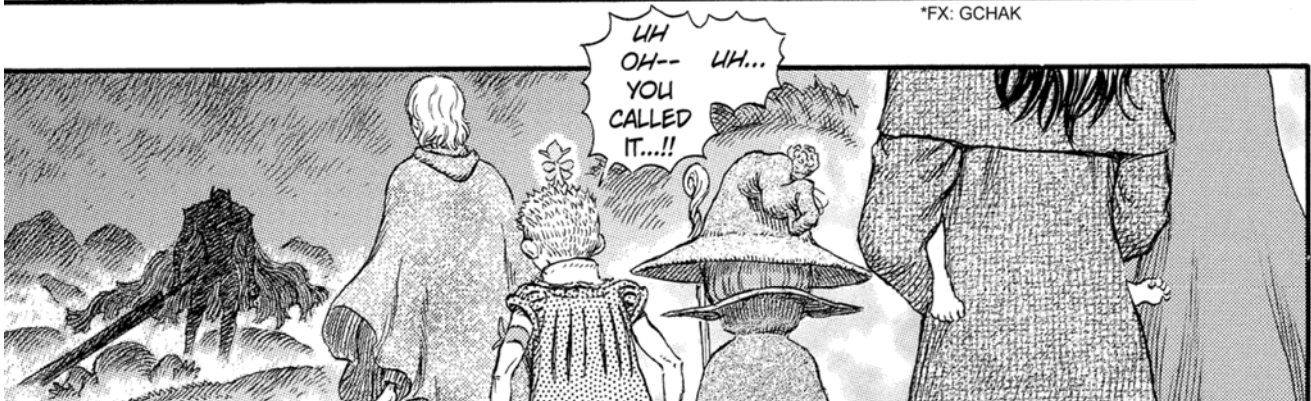
STAY
AWAY...

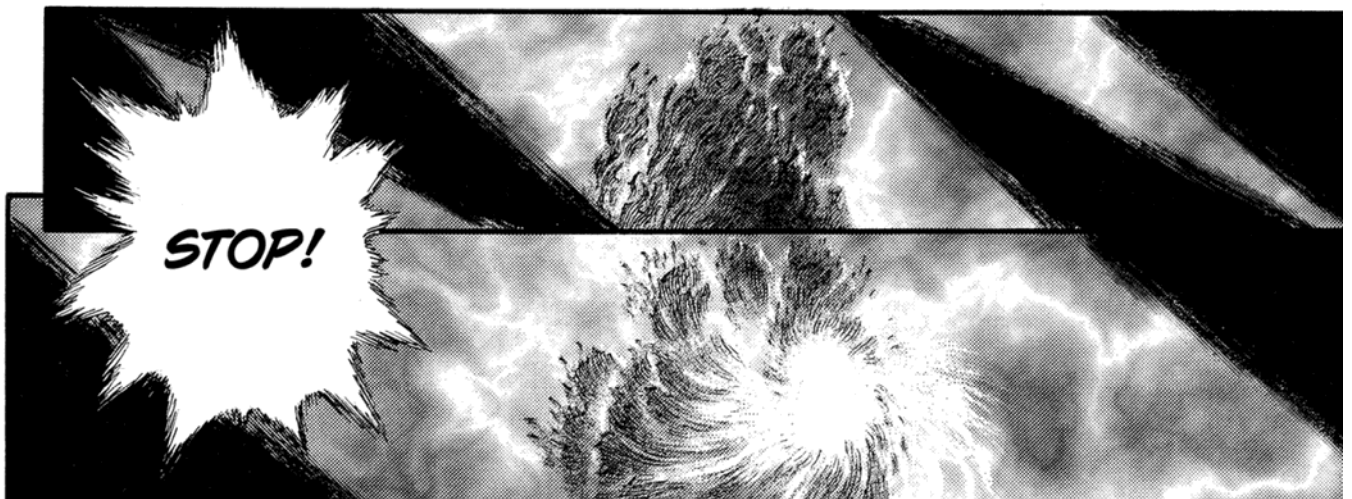
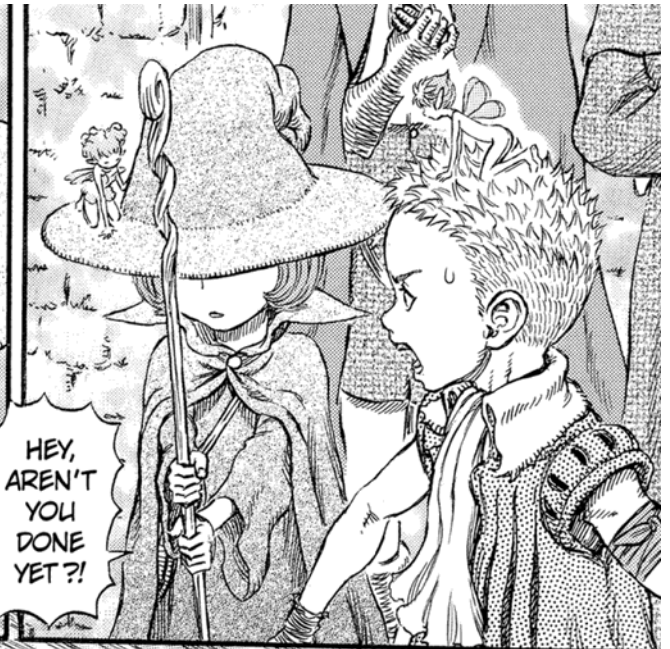
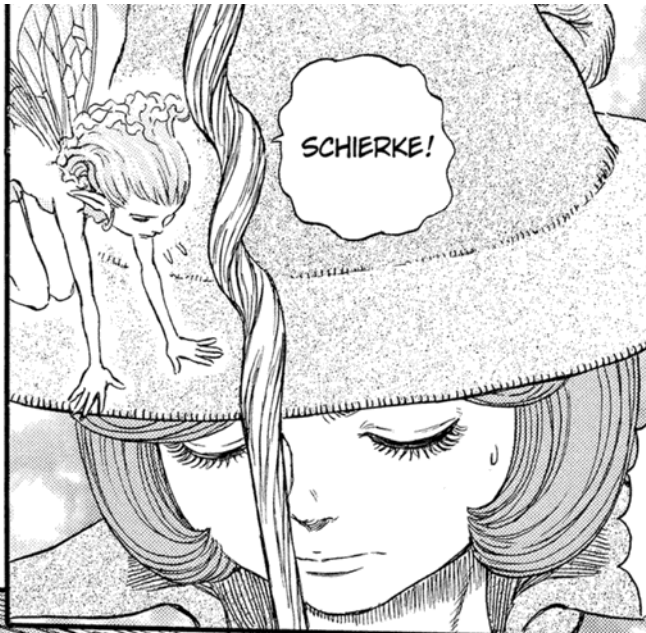
LOATHING
FEAR





*FX: GCHAK

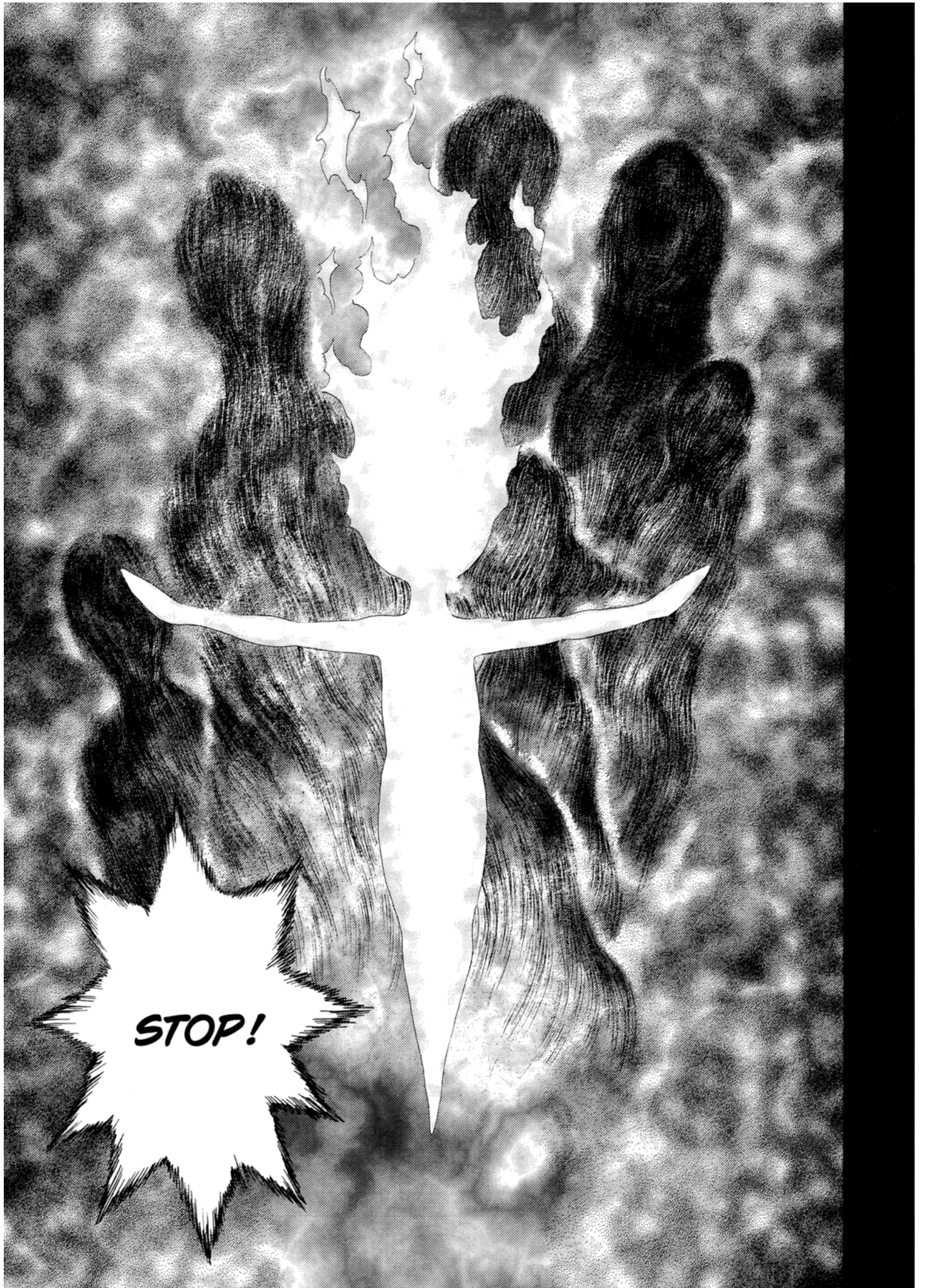


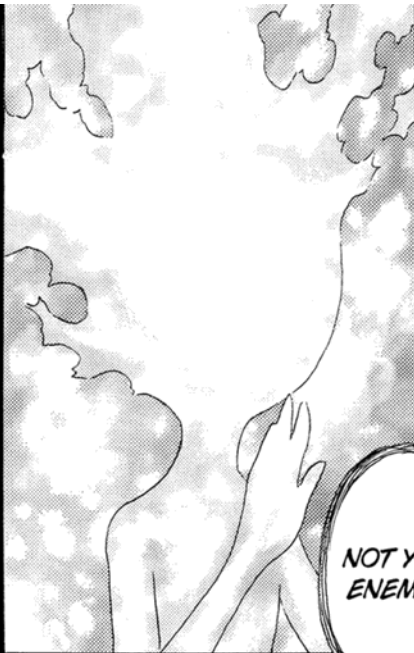




SUPERHUMAN (JNANIN)
超者(ジャンアーニン)

BERSERK



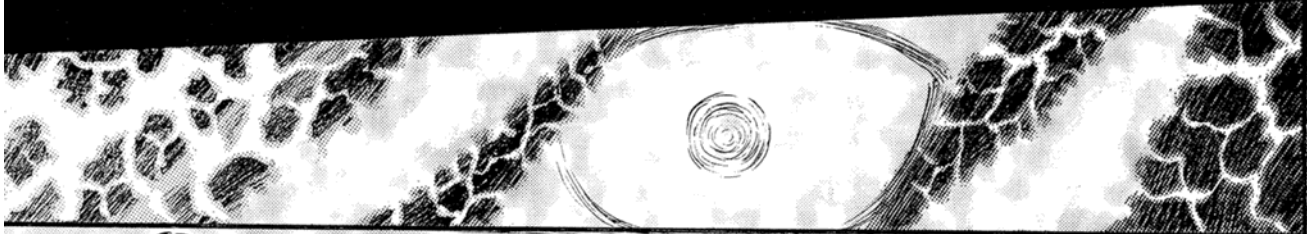


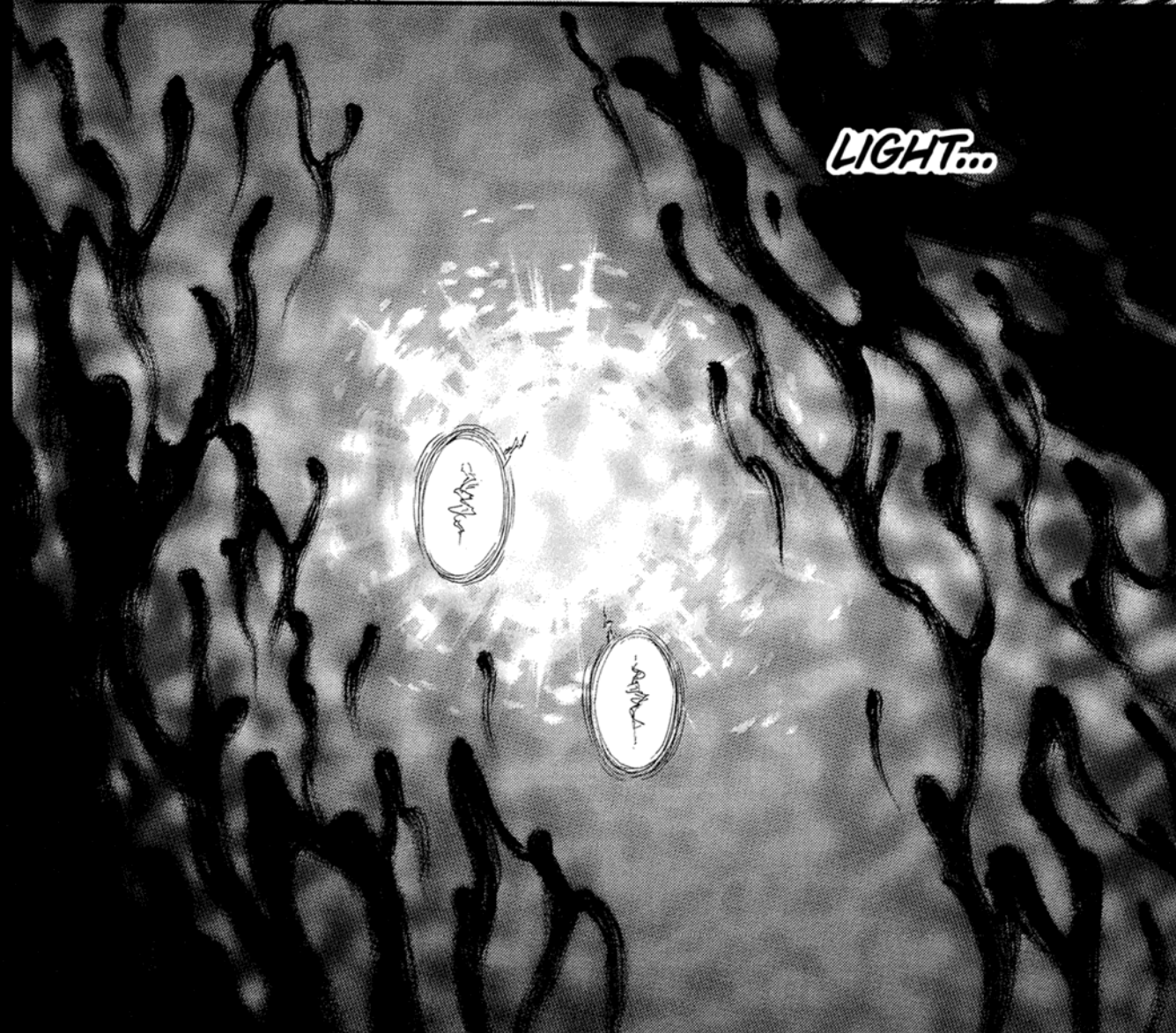
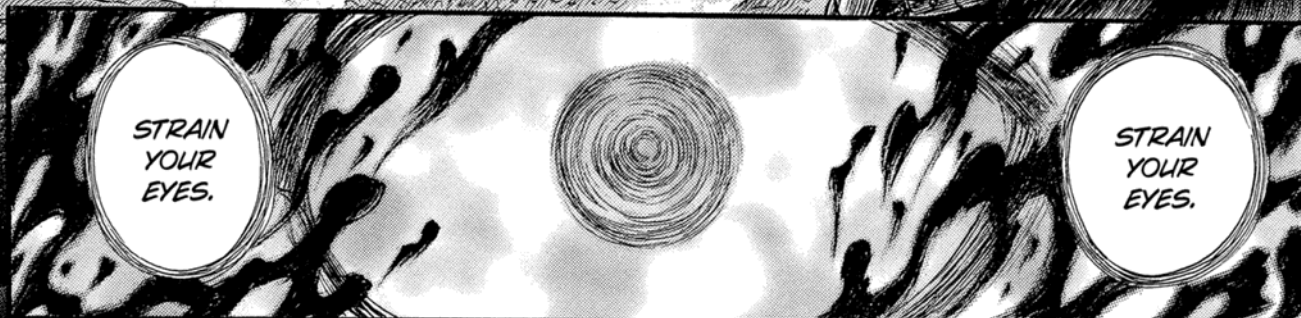
NOT YOUR
ENEMIES.



DON'T BE
AFRAID.







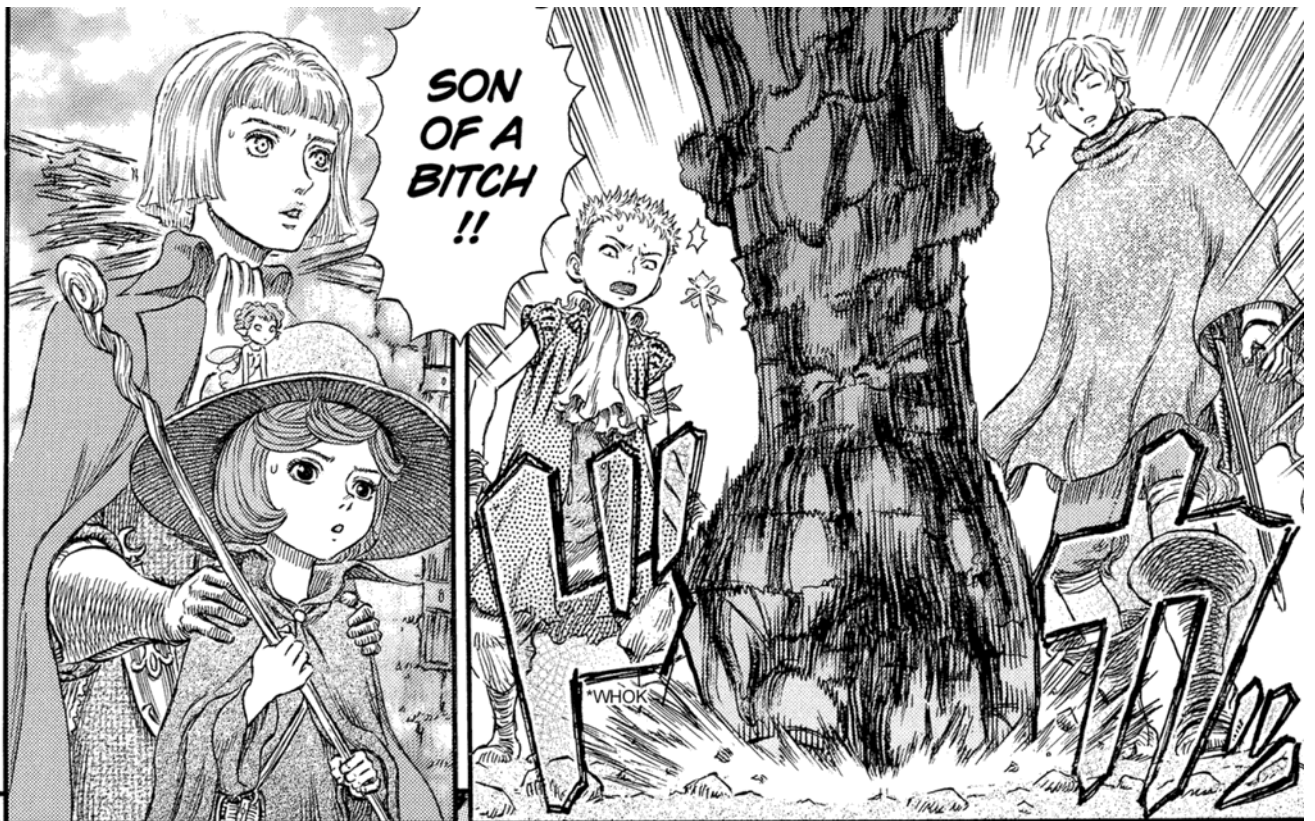


**WATER'S
SURFACE
...?**

**STRETCH
OUT YOUR
HAND.**

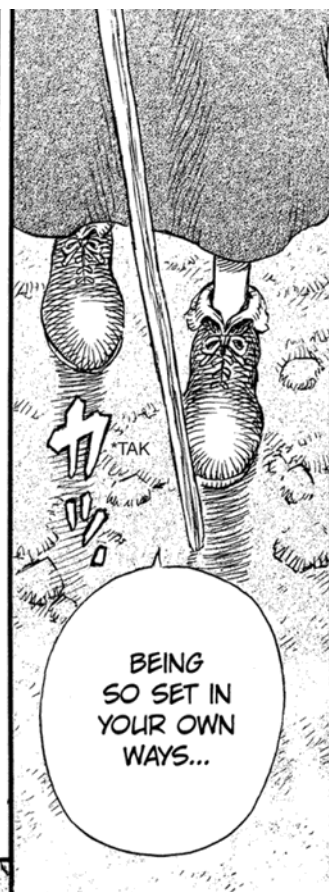




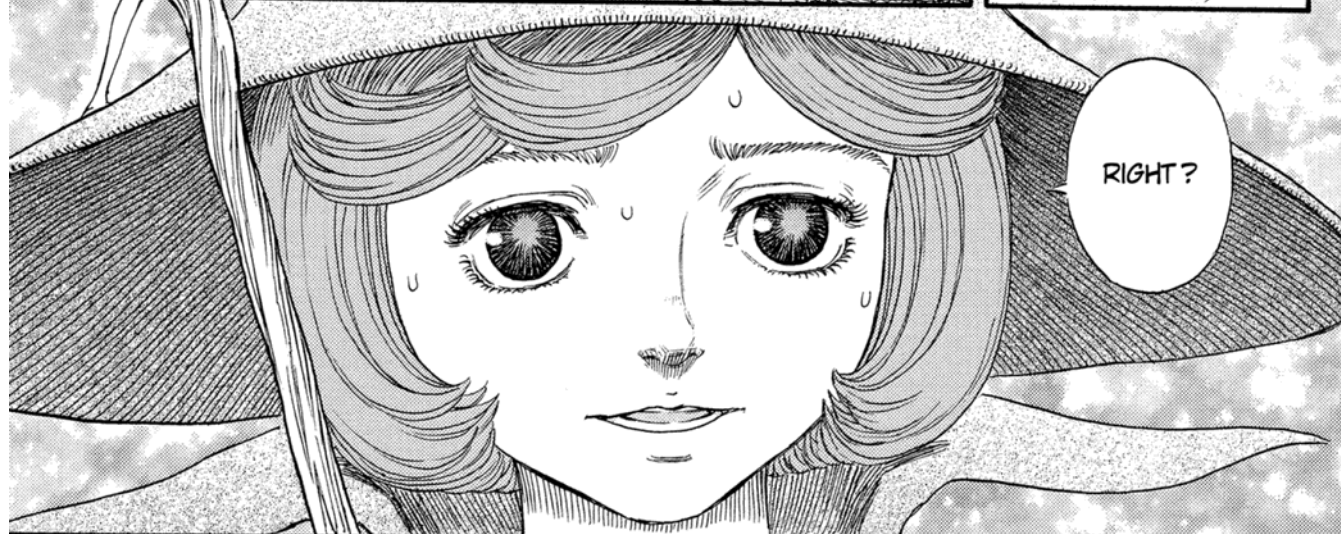




...WILL
MAKE
YOU OLD
BEFORE
YOUR
TIME.



BEING
SO SET IN
YOUR OWN
WAYS...



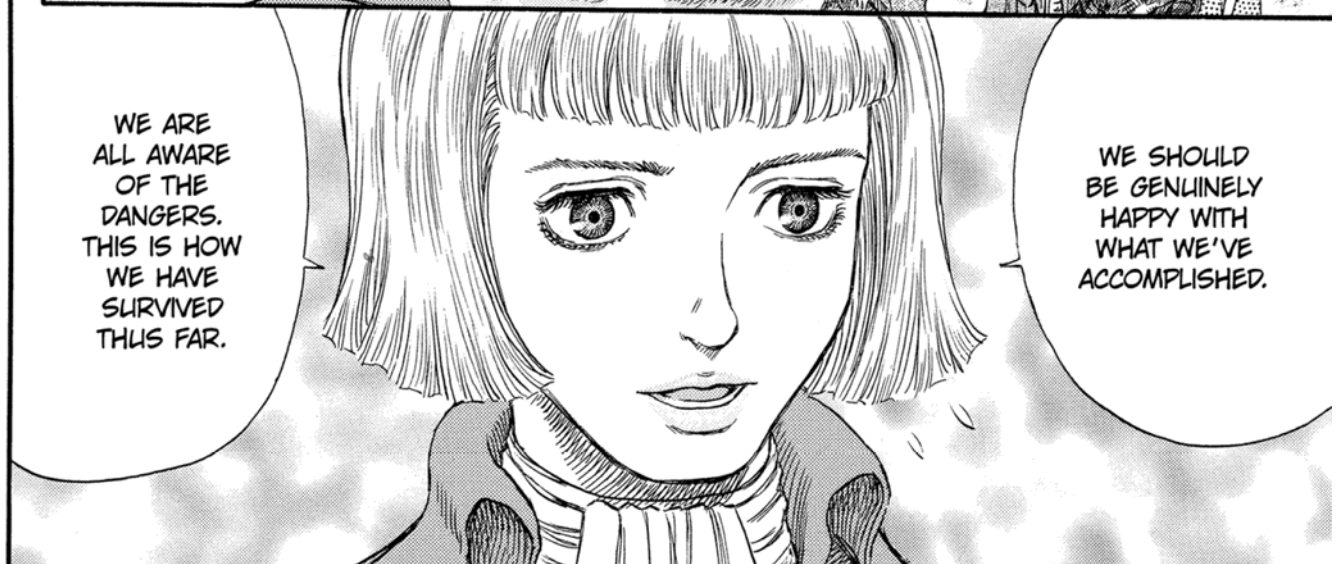
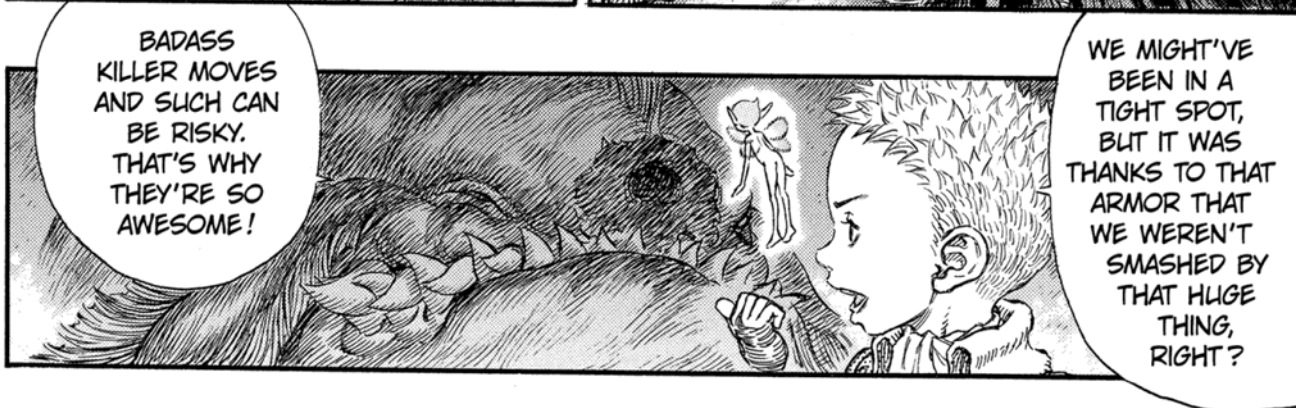
RIGHT?



YOU'RE
RIGHT.

YEAH...

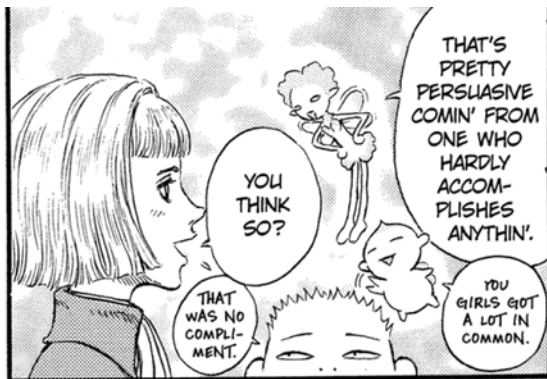






WELL...

...WE'LL
LEAVE IT
AT THAT,
THIS
TIME.



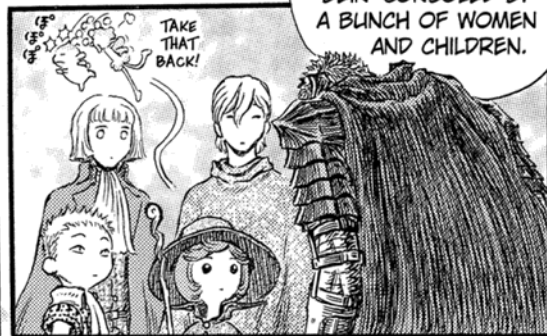
YOU
THINK
SO?

THAT
WAS NO
COMPLI-
MENT.

THAT'S
PRETTY
PERSUASIVE
COMIN' FROM
ONE WHO
HARDLY
ACCOM-
PLISHES
ANYTHIN'.

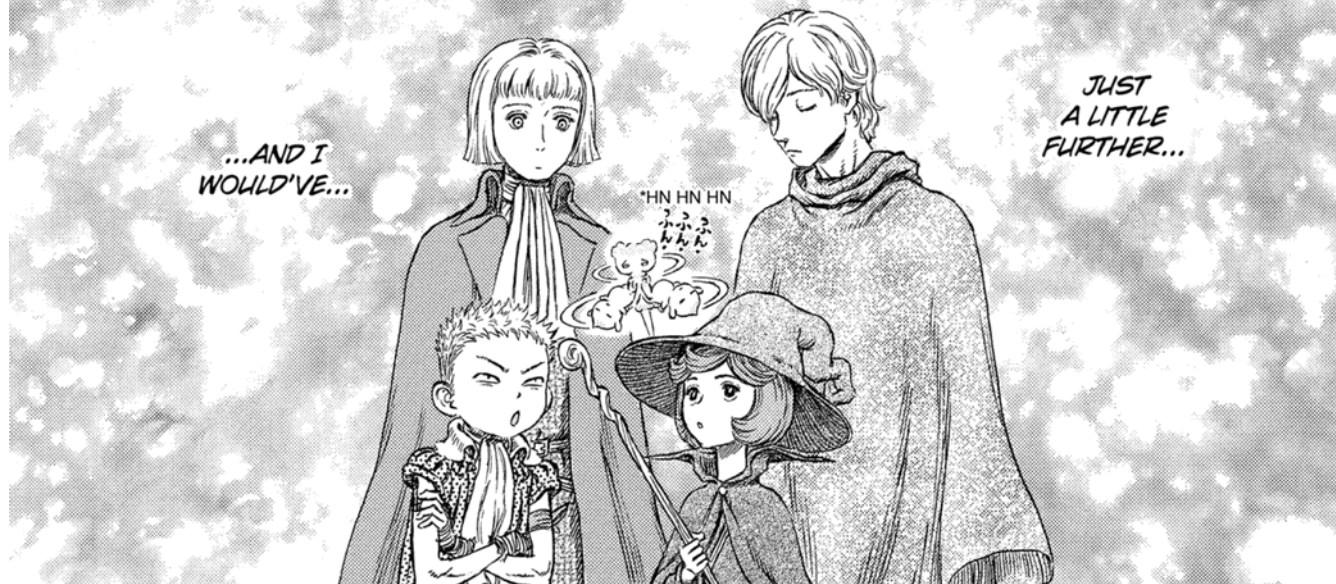
YOU
GIRLS GOT
A LOT IN
COMMON.

*FX: BOP BOP BOP



TAKE
THAT
BACK!

TALK ABOUT AWKWARD,
BEIN' CONSOLED BY
A BUNCH OF WOMEN
AND CHILDREN.



...AND I
WOULD'VE...

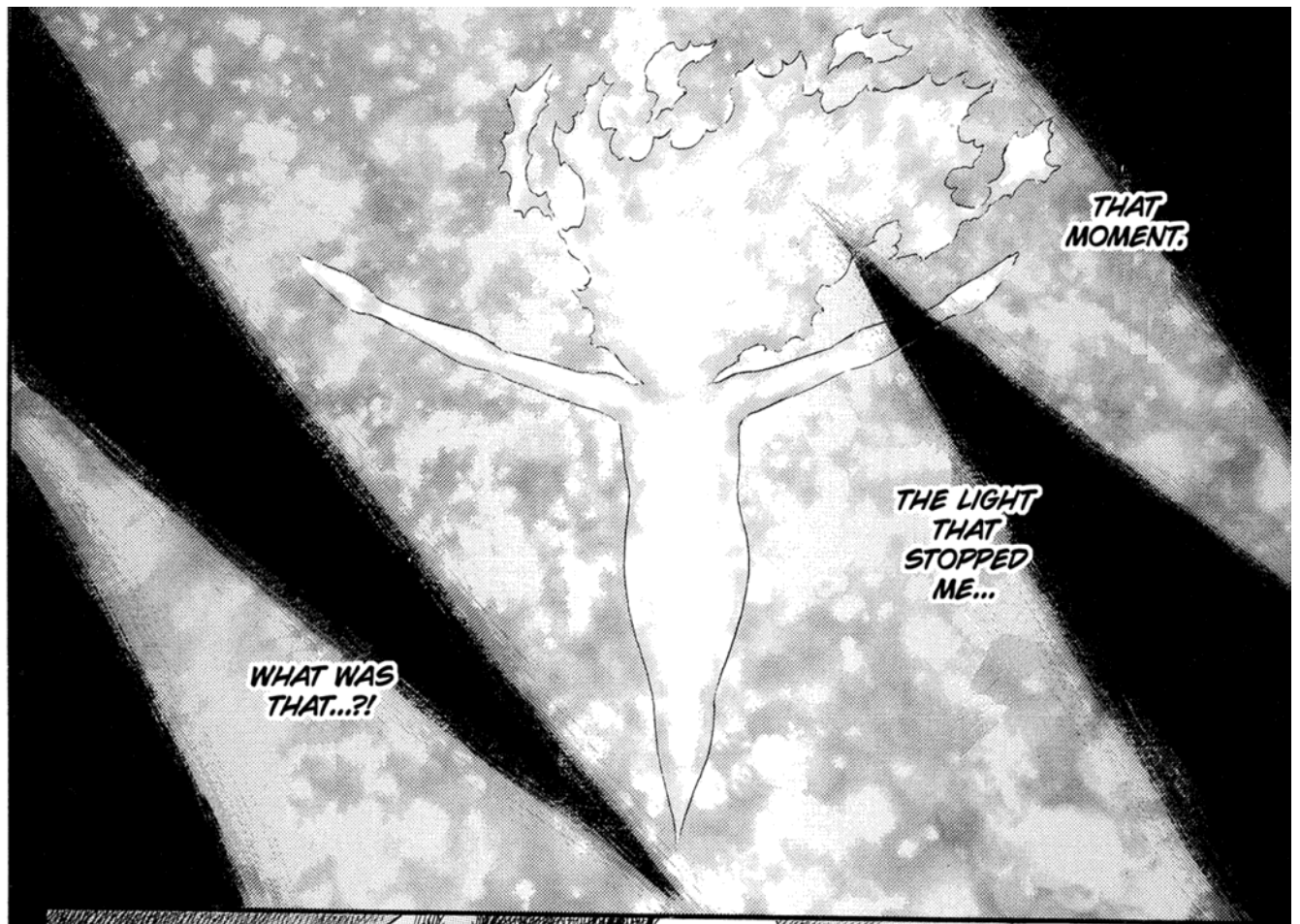
*HN HN HN

JUST
A LITTLE
FURTHER...



*SHIVER

シ
ワ
ッ



THAT
MOMENT.

THE LIGHT
THAT
STOPPED
ME...

WHAT WAS
THAT...?!



BEFORE
THAT, WE
MUST SEE
TO YOUR
REOPENED
WOUNDS...

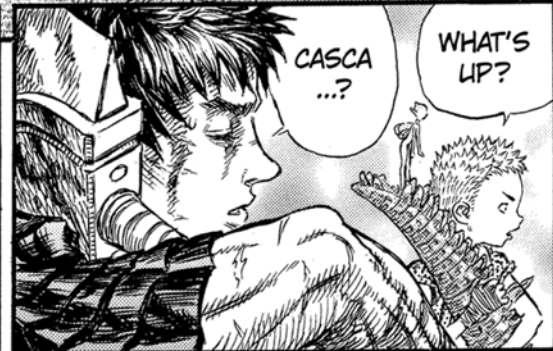
WHAT? FOOD
GATHERING?
WITH THIS MUCH
MEAT WE'LL
HAVE TONS OF
YAKINIKU...

ISIDRO,
PLUCK,
HELP
ME.

WE'RE
LOOKING
FOR MY
EQUIPMENT
THAT WENT
FLYING.

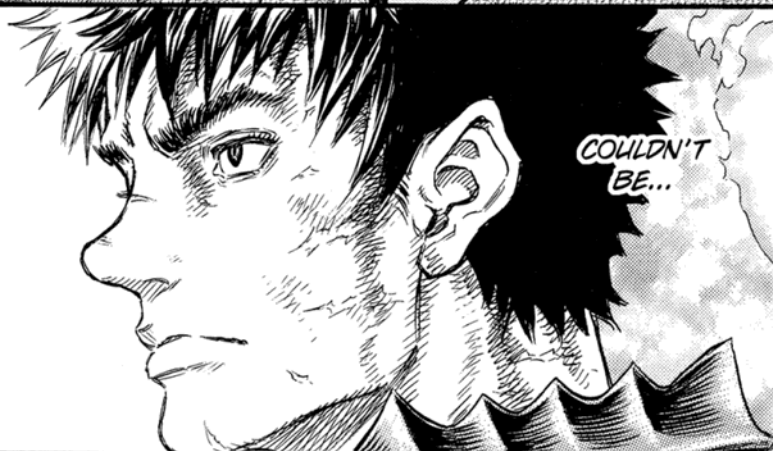
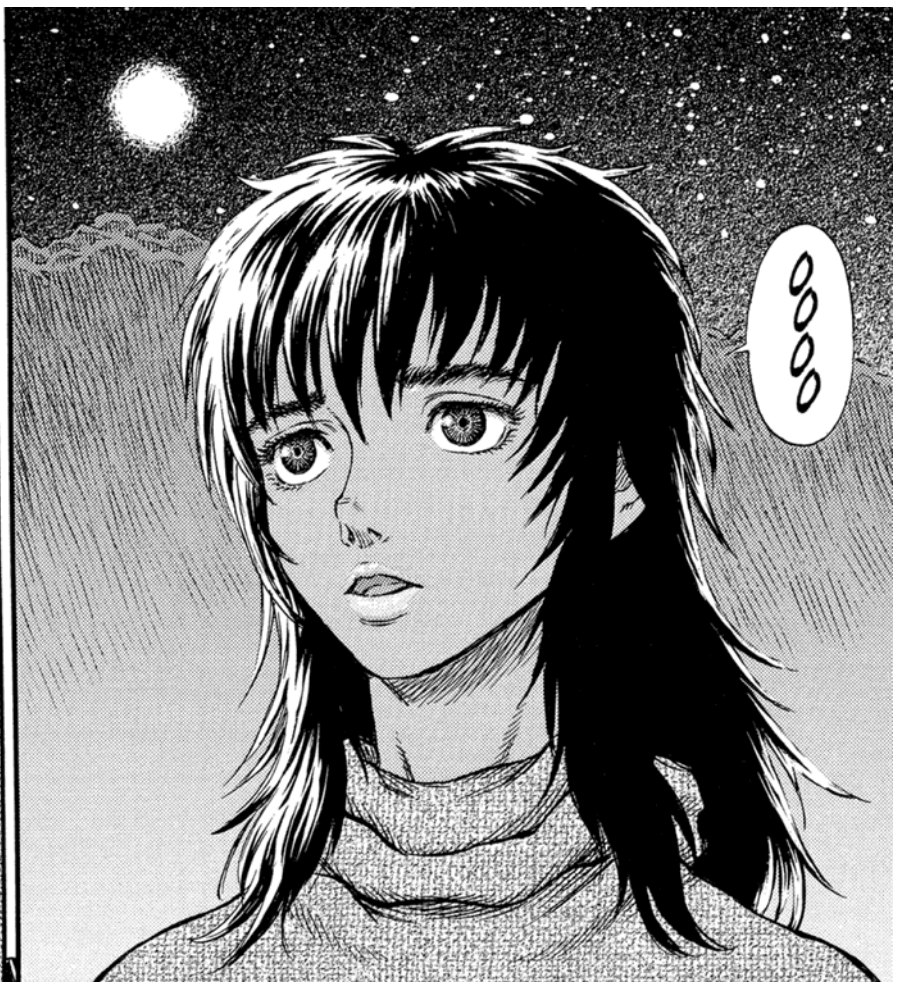
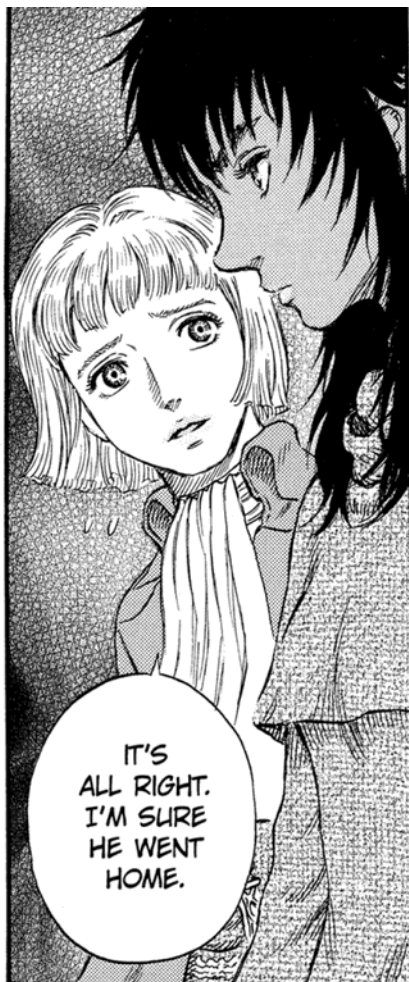


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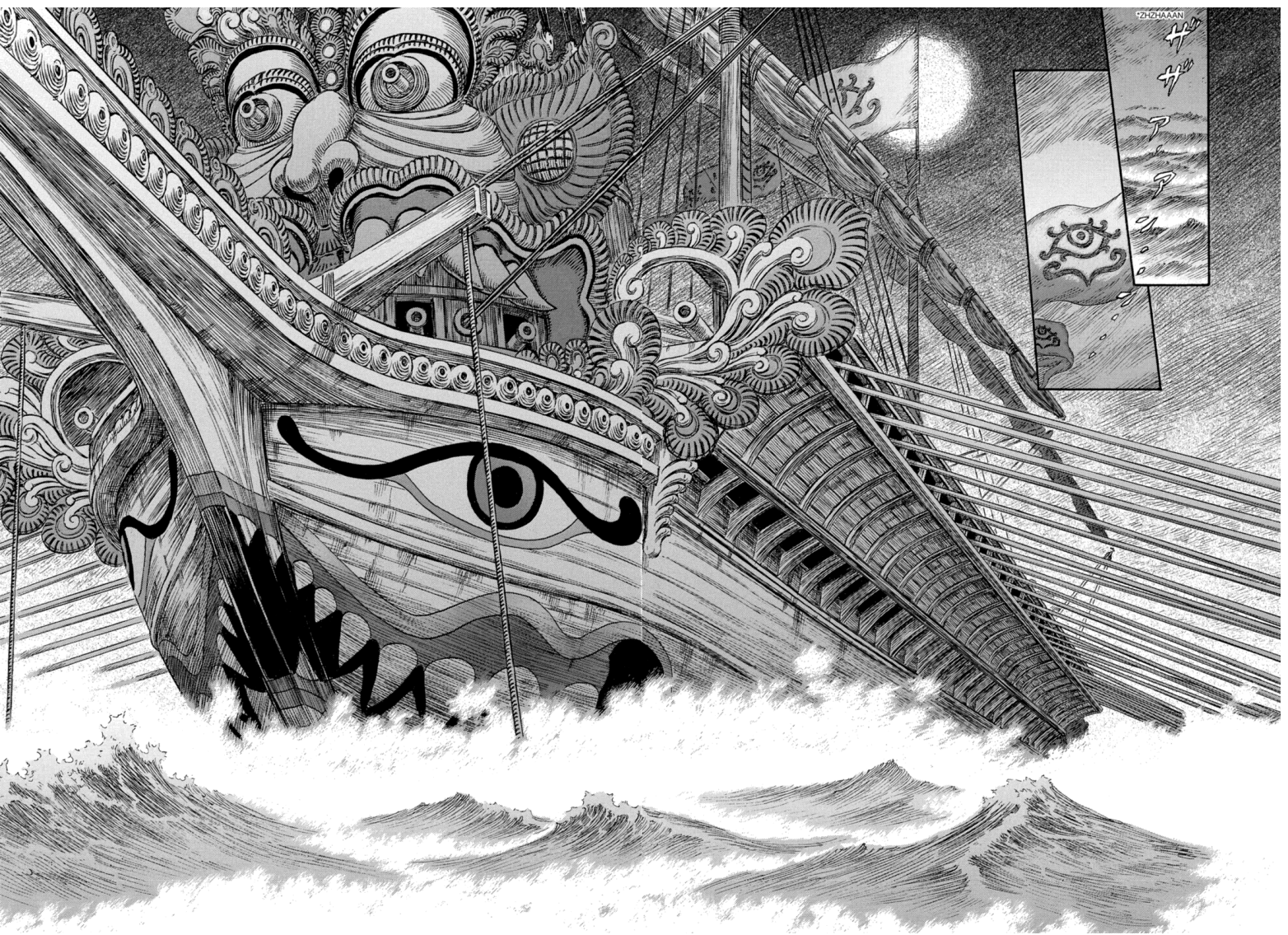


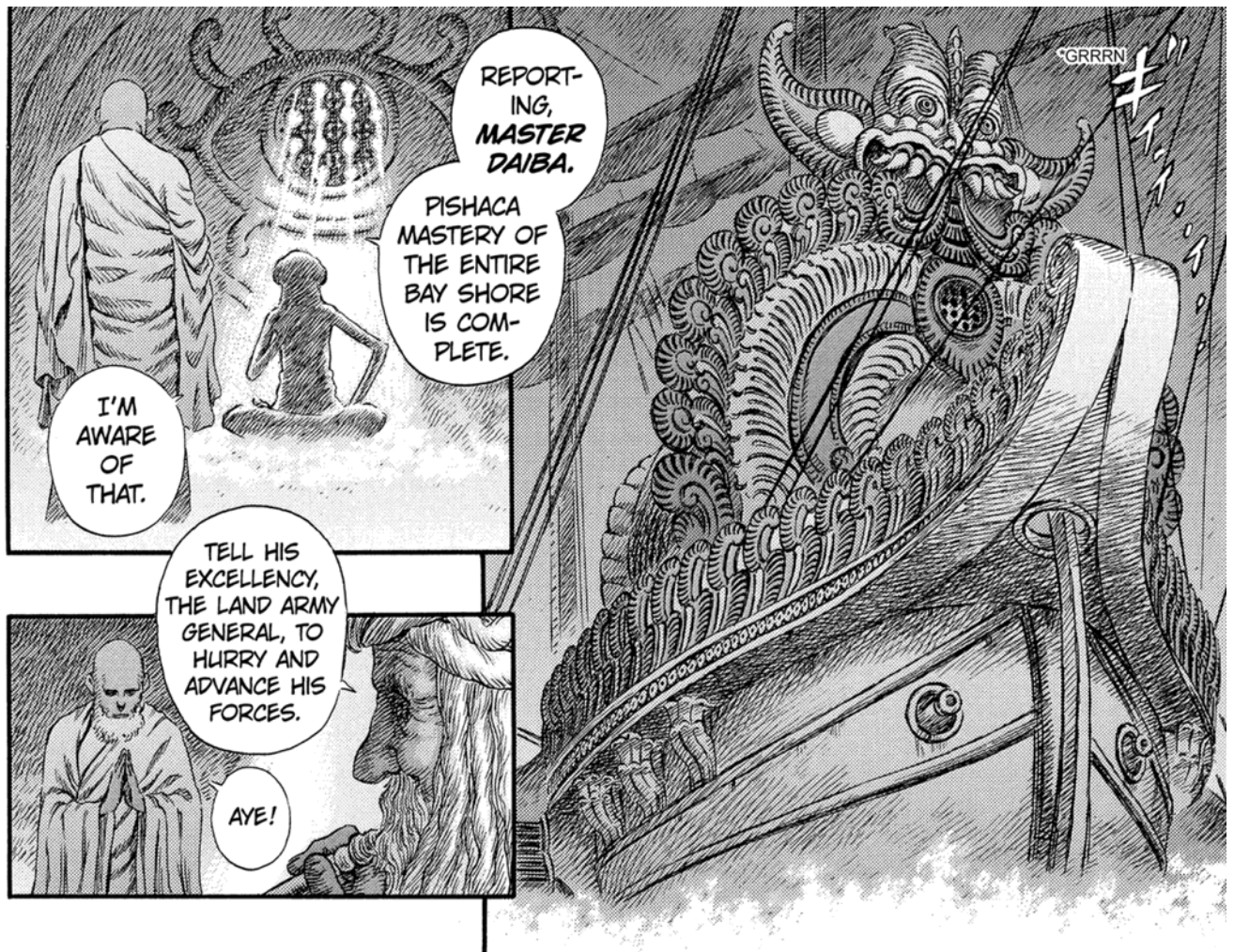
*FX: ZHAAAA











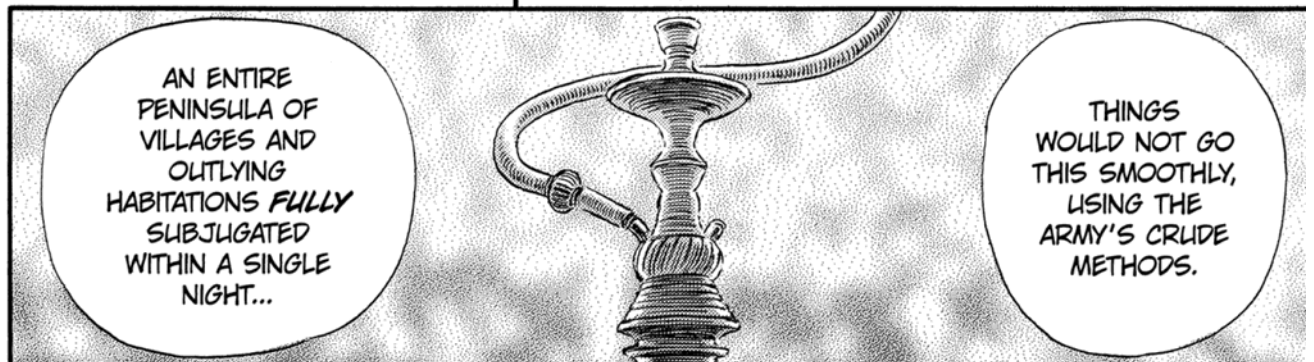
REPORT-
ING,
MASTER
DAIBA.

PISHACA
MASTERY OF
THE ENTIRE
BAY SHORE
IS COM-
PLETE.

I'M
AWARE
OF
THAT.

TELL HIS
EXCELLENCY,
THE LAND ARMY
GENERAL, TO
HURRY AND
ADVANCE HIS
FORCES.

AYE!



AN ENTIRE
PENINSULA OF
VILLAGES AND
OUTLYING
HABITATIONS **FULLY**
SUBJUGATED
WITHIN A SINGLE
NIGHT...

THINGS
WOULD NOT GO
THIS SMOOTHLY,
USING THE
ARMY'S CRUDE
METHODS.



NOT A SINGLE
INHABITANT
REMAINING...
NOT EVEN
A PIECE OF
FLESH.

AND IN
SECRET.
NOT A
SINGLE
FIRE LIT.



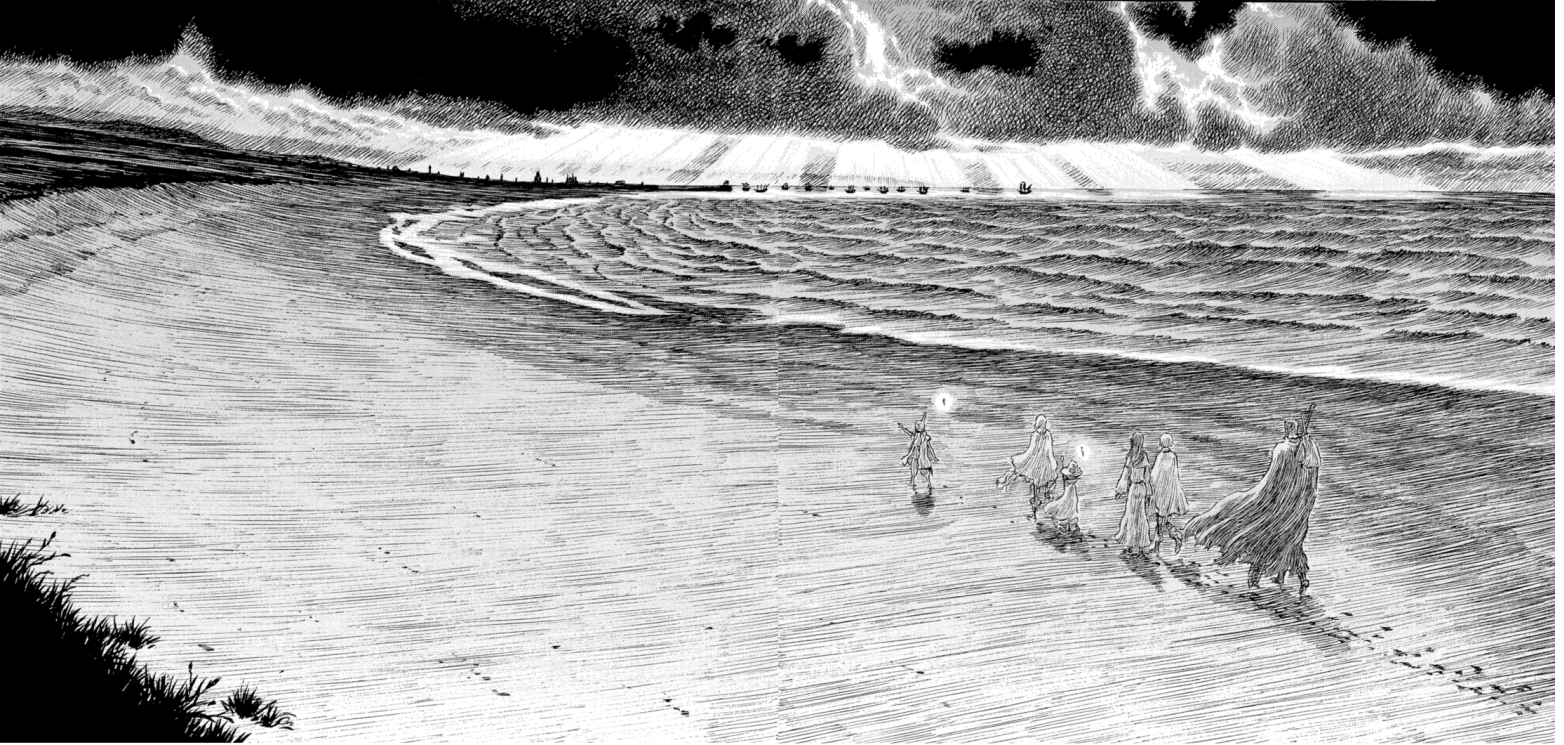
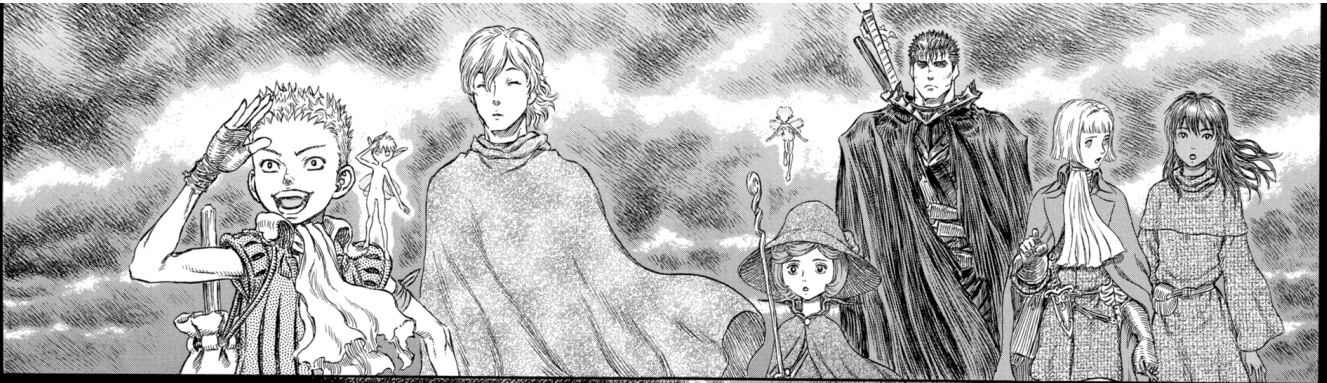
THERE
SHOULD NOT
BE ANYONE IN
THIS LAND WHO
CAN MASSACRE
THE PISHACA
ENDOWED BY
HIS MAJESTY...

BUT ONE THING
WORRIES ME...
THE THOUGHTS
FROM ONE GROUP
OF HARASHADA
CEASED.



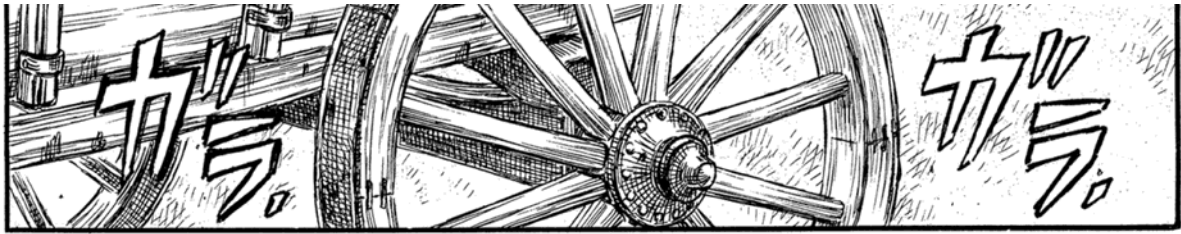
NO...

THERE
CAN'T
BE.



NAVY YARD
鎮守府

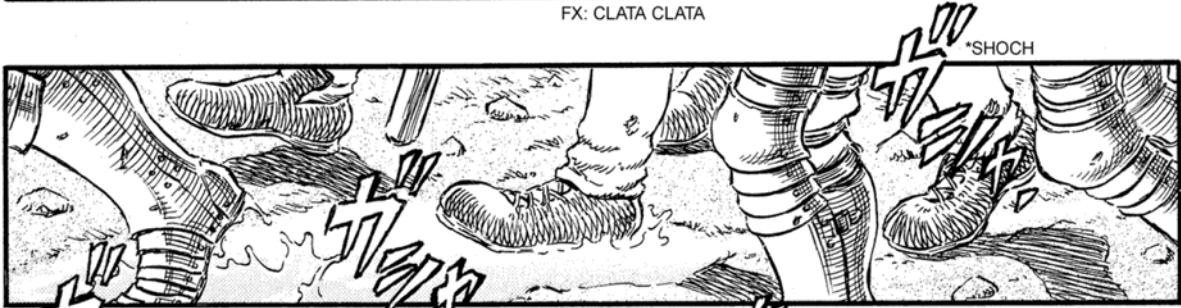
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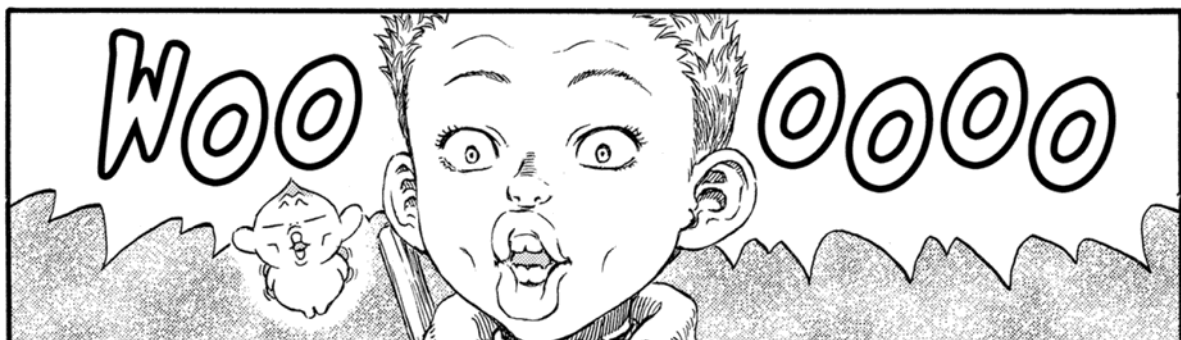
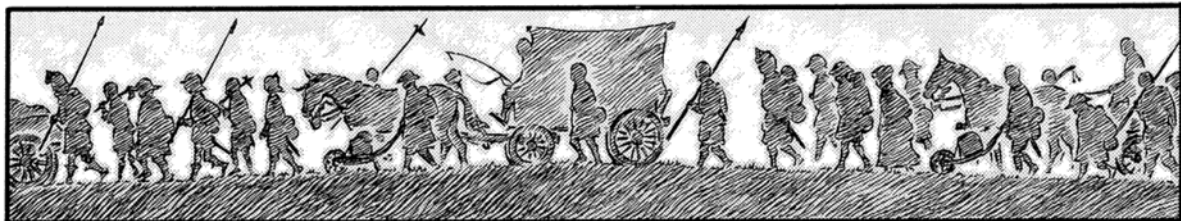


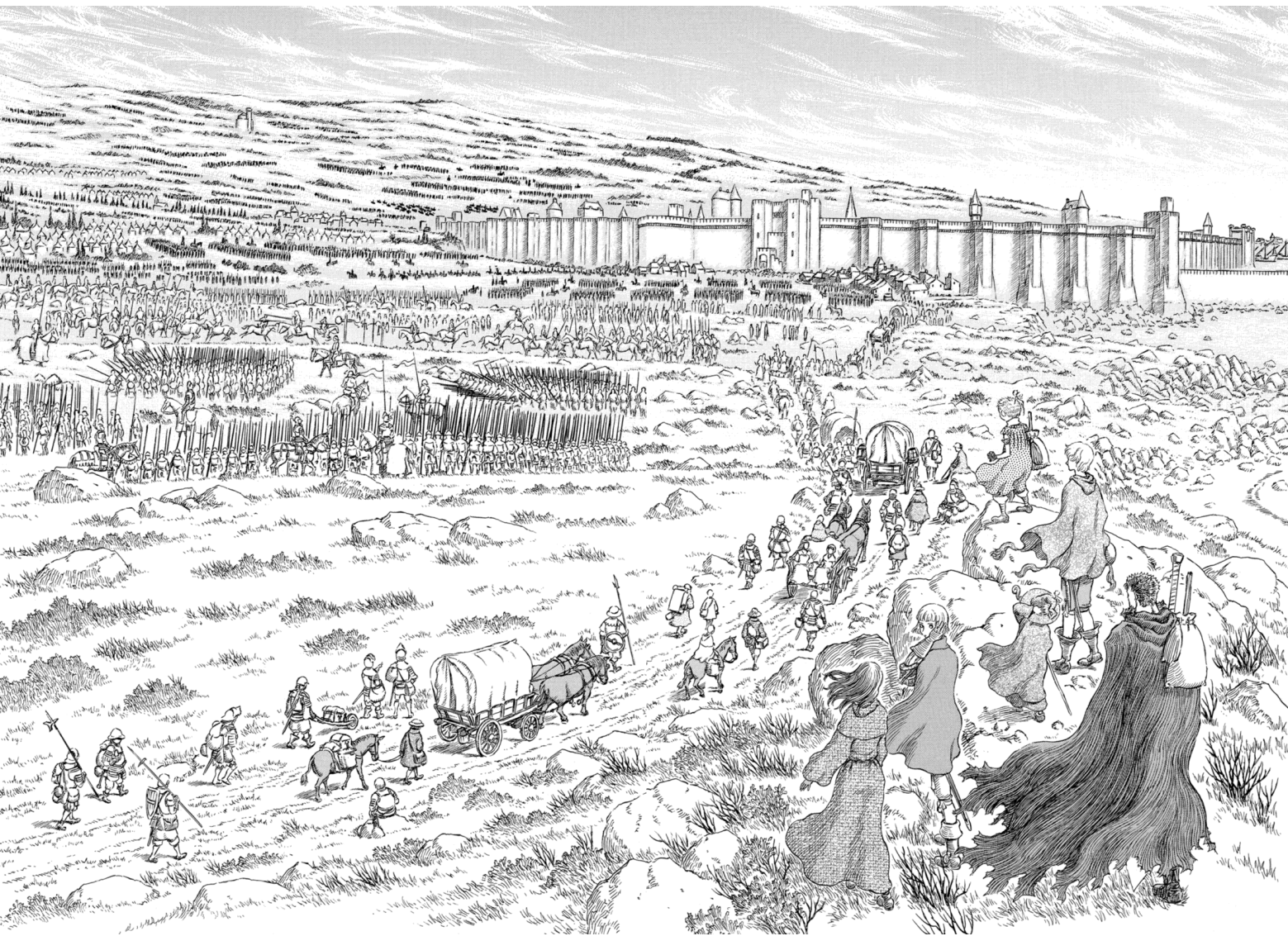
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*SHOCH

*SHOCH







IT'S ACTUALLY
A MUSTER
OF ARMIES
FROM **ALL** THE
HOLY SEE'S
TERRITORIES.

IT'S AN
ARMY.
THERE'S A
NUMBER OF
'EM.

WOWWW...



BECAUSE
SERPICO
WAS A
HERALD OF
ARMS.

H-HOW
D'YOU
KNOW
THAT?

THE ARMY OF
THE NEWLY ESTAB-
LISHED **RANDEL
COMMONWEALTH**.
UNDER THE PANERIA
ALLIANCE, THE ARMY
OF LANA AND MER-
CENARY GROUPS OF
**FARIS, NISE, AND
VRITANNIS.**
AND VARIOUS OTHERS.

THE GREAT
KNIGHTS OF **THE
CHUDER EMPIRE**
AND **THE KINGDOM
OF BALDEN**. FROM
THE EAST, **THE
ROYAL KNIGHTS
OF THE DUCHIES
OF MORGAR AND
WALLATORIA.**



HE HAS
EVERY COAT
OF ARMS OF
NATIONAL AND
ROYAL KNIGHT
TROUPES
MEMORIZED.



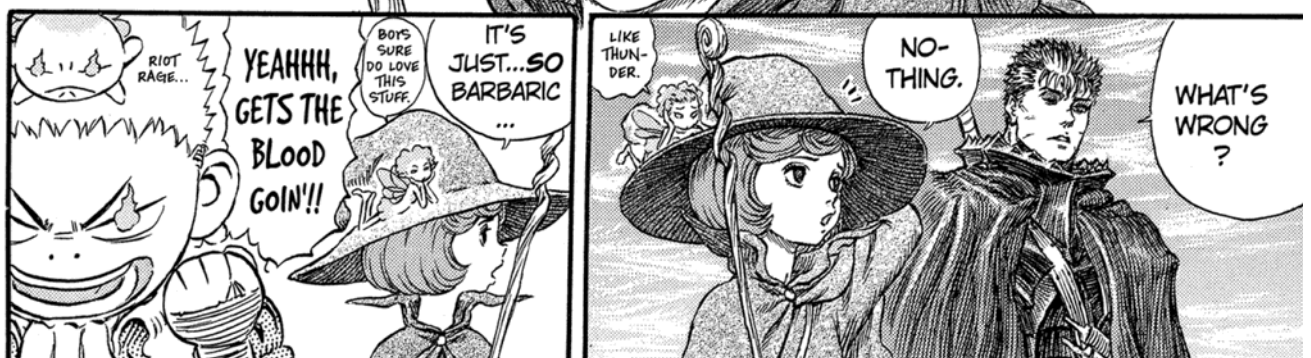
*RAHHHHH

*BOOOM
BOOOM



AHHH,
THE NOISE!
SPLITTIN'
MY
EAAARS!

.....



RIOT
RAGE...

YEAHHH,
GETS THE
BLOOD
GOIN'!!

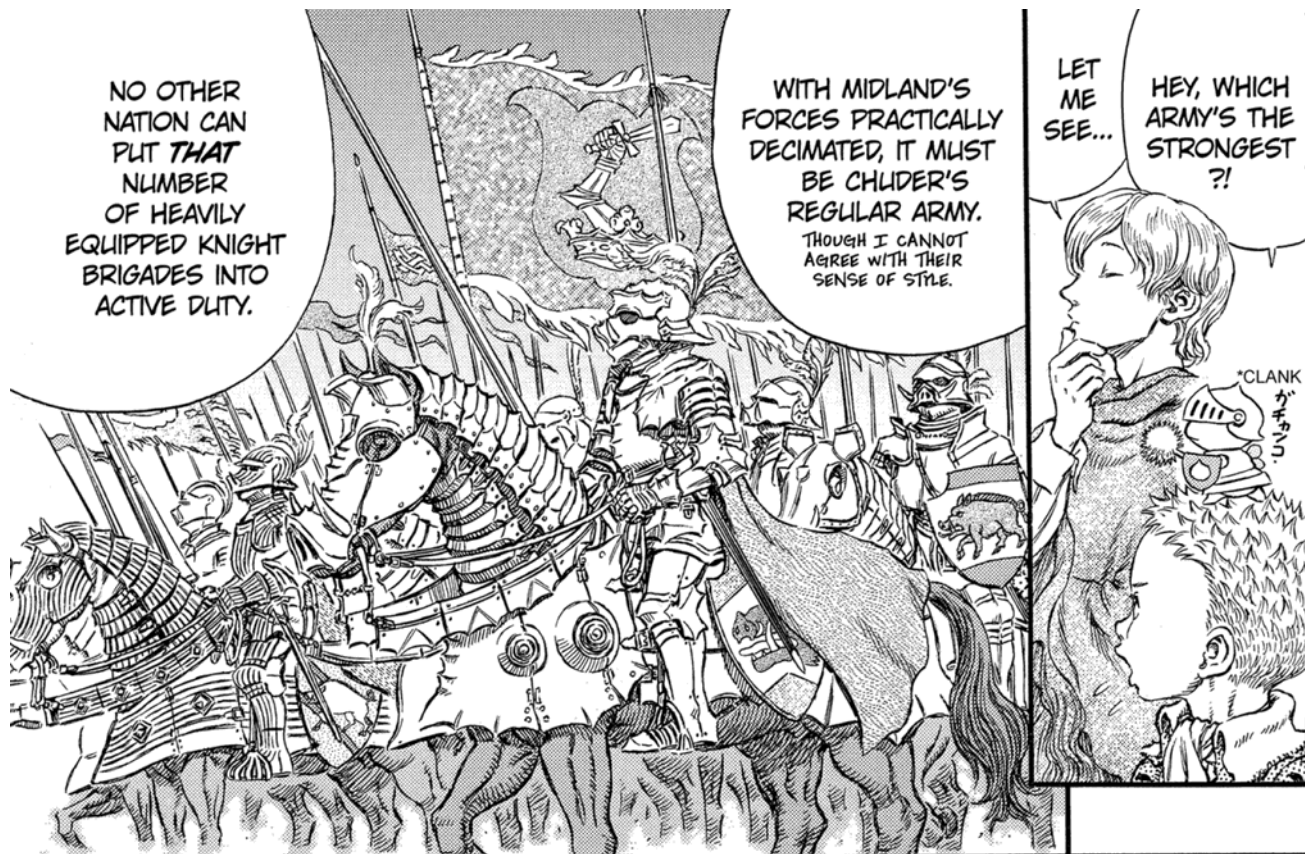
BOYS
SURE
DO LOVE
THIS
STUFF.

IT'S
JUST...SO
BARBARIC
...

LIKE
THUN-
DER.

NO-
THING.

WHAT'S
WRONG
?



NO OTHER NATION CAN PUT **THAT** NUMBER OF HEAVILY EQUIPPED KNIGHT BRIGADES INTO ACTIVE DUTY.

WITH MIDLAND'S FORCES PRACTICALLY DECIMATED, IT MUST BE CHUDER'S REGULAR ARMY. THOUGH I CANNOT AGREE WITH THEIR SENSE OF STYLE.

LET ME SEE...

HEY, WHICH ARMY'S THE STRONGEST ?!

*CLANK がちんごう

...BUT THAT KINGDOM IS CURRENTLY DEALING WITH A PEASANT INSURRECTION, SO IT MUST NOT BE ABLE TO SPARE MANY SOLDIERS FOR THIS CONFLICT.

WHEN IT COMES TO EQUIPMENT, THE BALDEN ARMY IS ON PAR WITH CHUDER...

...SO IT IS OF AN AGGRESSIVE NATIONAL CHARACTER, AND IT COULD BE SAID TO WANT TO DEMONSTRATE A FIRM SENSE OF PRESENCE AMONGST THE NATIONS OF THE HOLY SEE VIA THIS CONFLICT.

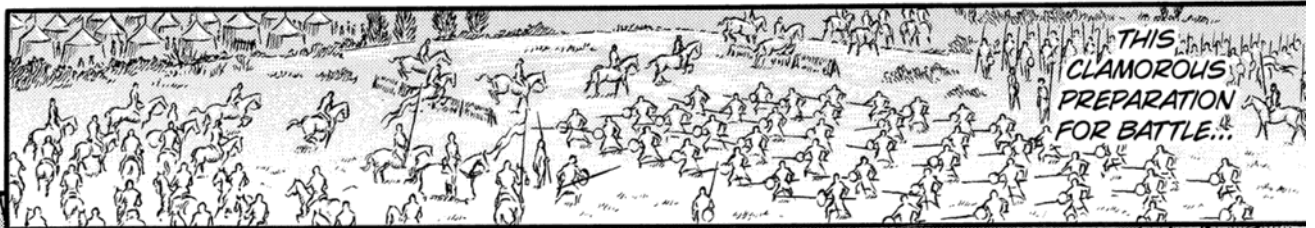
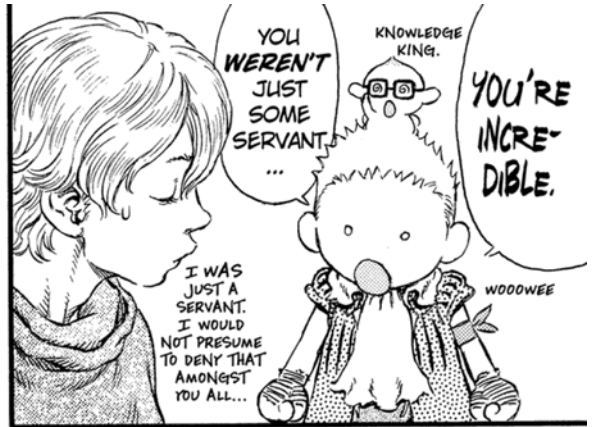
RANDEL ONLY IN RECENT YEARS WON INDEPENDENCE FROM BALDEN. IT WAS ORIGINALLY A SETTLEMENT WHERE CRIMINALS WERE SENT TO RECLAIM IT FROM WETLANDS...

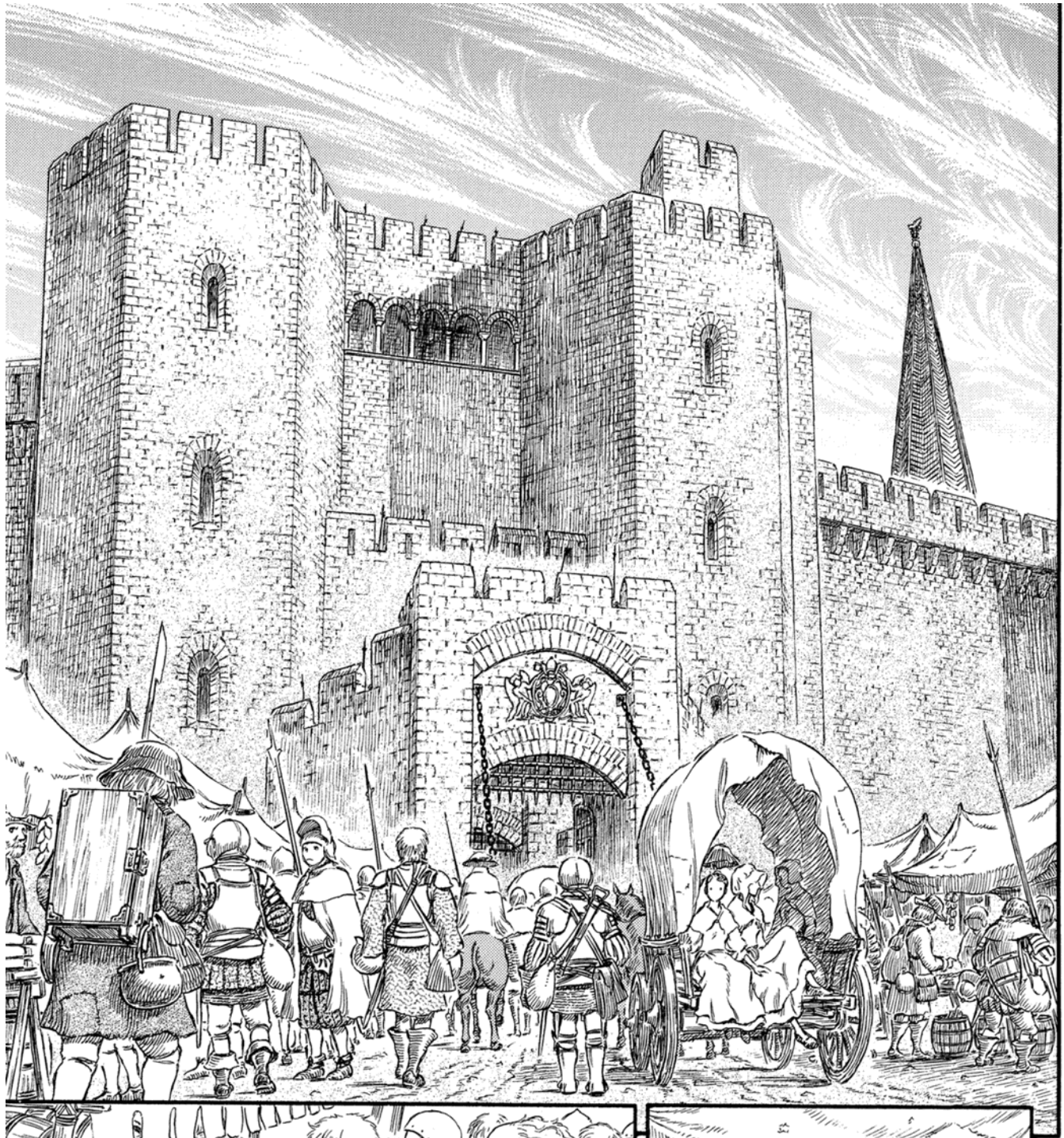
...SO THEY ARE VETERANS WHO HAVE MANY TIMES CROSSED SWORDS WITH THE KUSHAN.

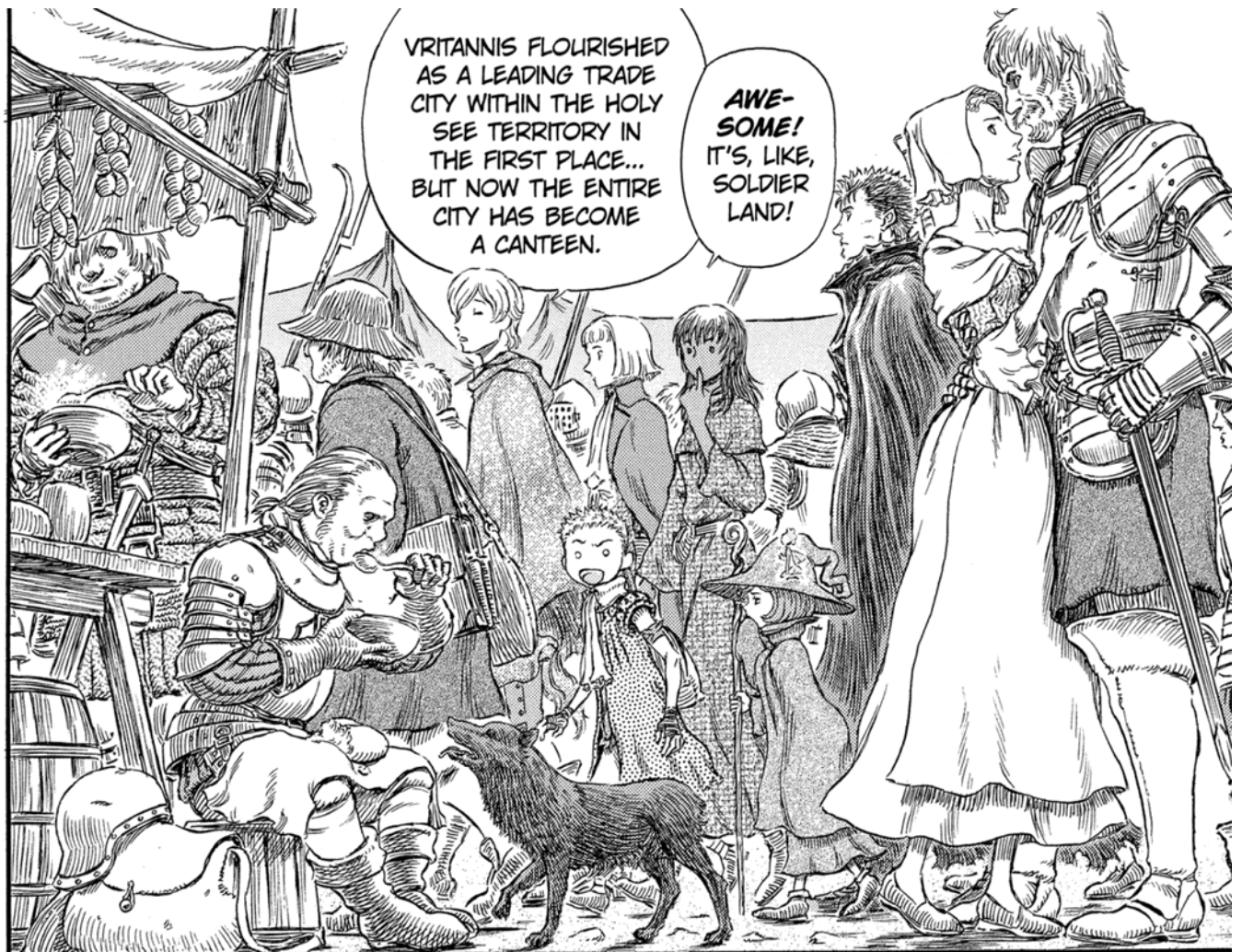
WHILE MORGAR AND WALLATORIA ARE SMALL, THEY ARE LOCATED FURTHEST EAST OF THE HOLY SEE NATIONS...

...SO UNLIKE NATIONS WITH DOMAINS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF LANA THEY HAVE NO STANDING ARMIES, BUT HIRE MERCENARY BANDS FOR EACH CONFLICT.

THOUGH THE COUNTRIES OF PANERIA ARE IN ALLIANCE, THEY WERE UNTIL QUITE RECENTLY A GROUP OF CITY-STATES THAT CONTINUED TO ENGAGE IN SKIRMISHES ALL AROUND THE DOMINION...





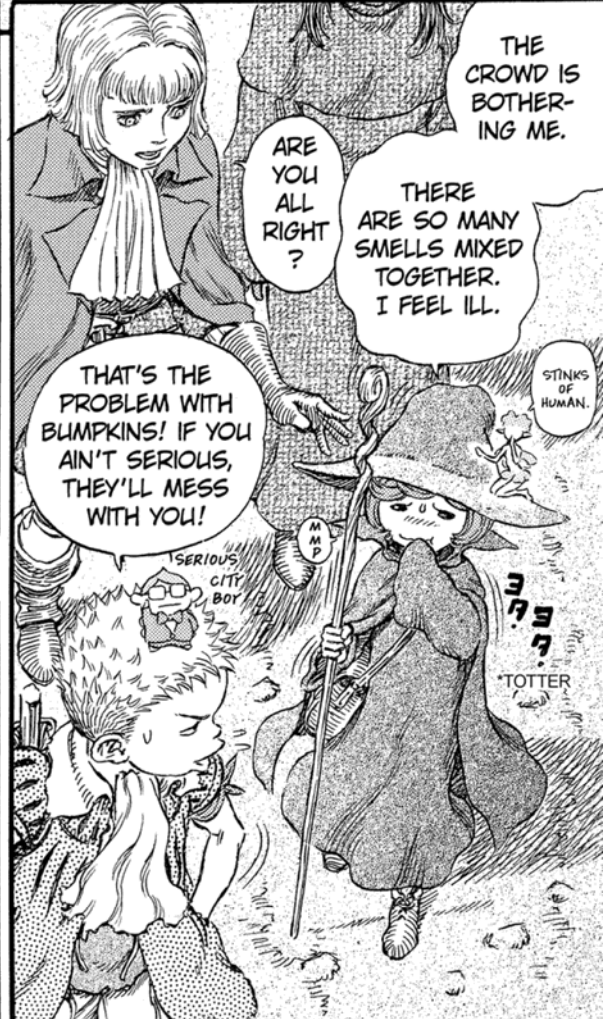


VRITANNIS FLOURISHED
AS A LEADING TRADE
CITY WITHIN THE HOLY
SEE TERRITORY IN
THE FIRST PLACE...
BUT NOW THE ENTIRE
CITY HAS BECOME
A CANTEEN.

**AWE-
SOME!**
IT'S, LIKE,
SOLDIER
LAND!



BUT WHEN
THERE'S
THIS MANY
PEOPLE
SWARMIN'
...



THE
CROWD IS
BOTHER-
ING ME.

ARE
YOU
ALL
RIGHT
?

THERE
ARE SO MANY
SMELLS MIXED
TOGETHER.
I FEEL ILL.

THAT'S THE
PROBLEM WITH
BUMPKINS! IF YOU
AIN'T SERIOUS,
THEY'LL MESS
WITH YOU!

STINKS
OF
HUMAN.



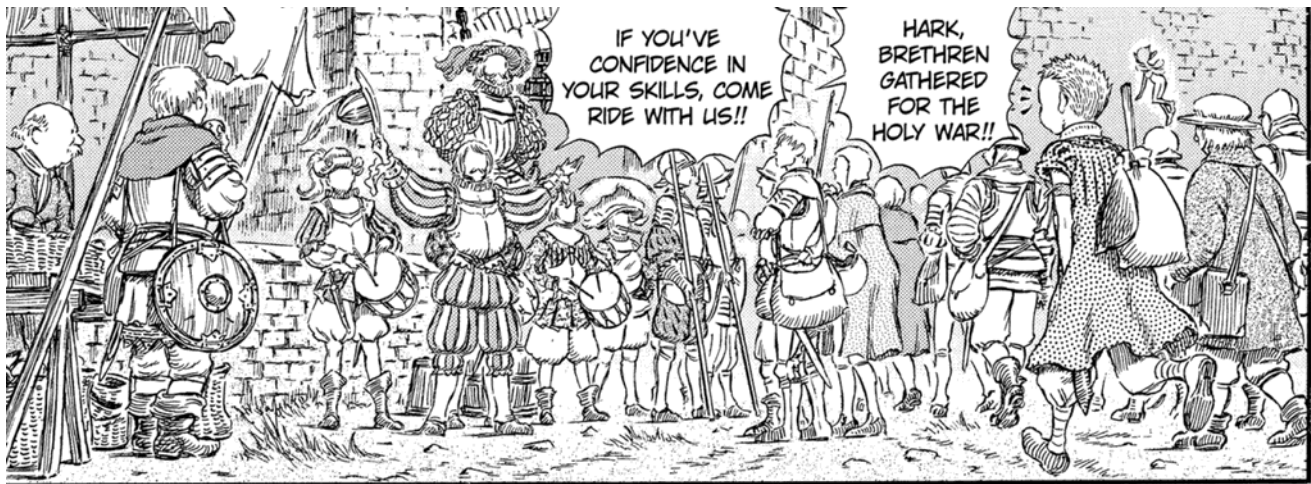
STEALTH
MODE.

AHAHA,
THIS'S
FUN!

WHY'S
THAT SEEM
FAMILIAR
?

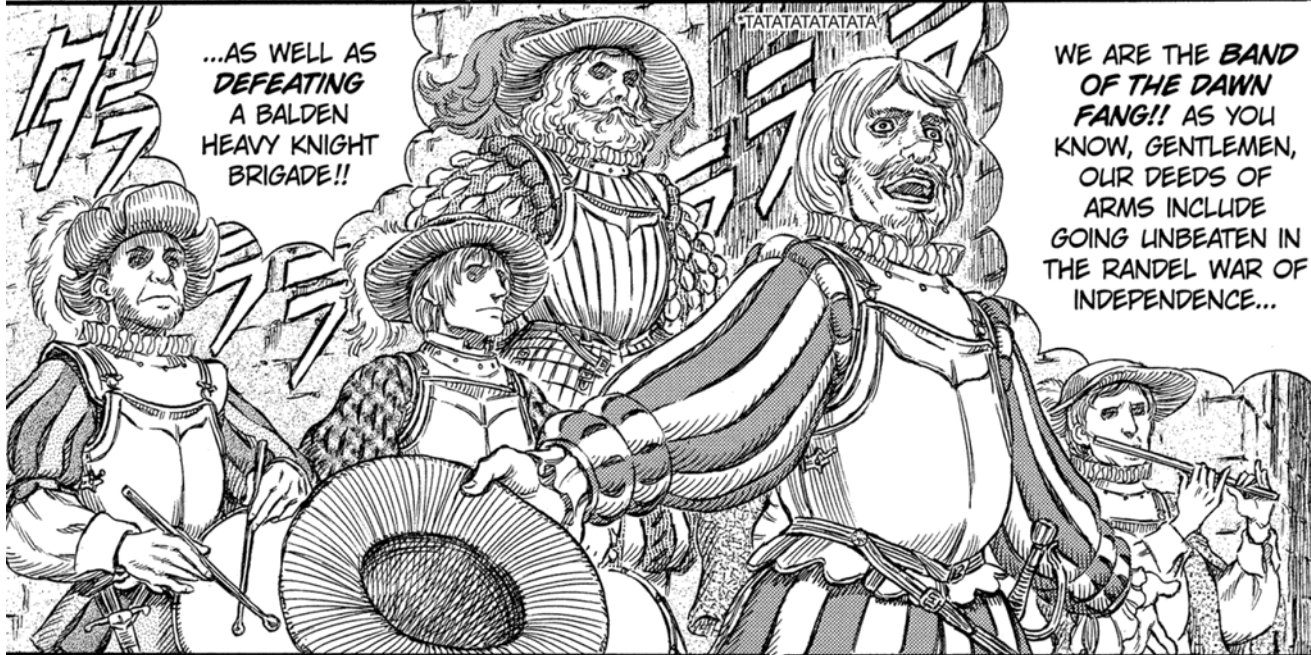


にゃ?
*TUG



IF YOU'VE
CONFIDENCE IN
YOUR SKILLS, COME
RIDE WITH US!!

HARK,
BRETHREN
GATHERED
FOR THE
HOLY WAR!!



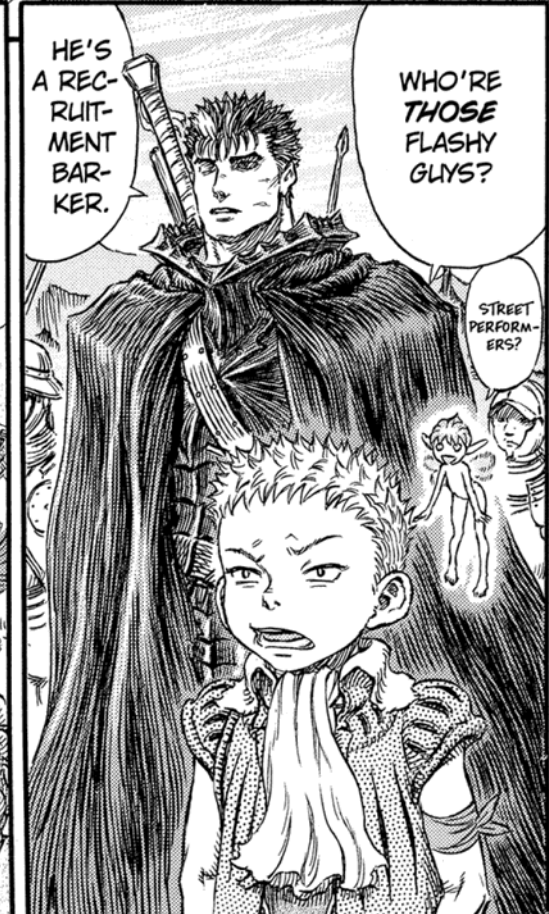
...AS WELL AS
DEFEATING
A BALDEN
HEAVY KNIGHT
BRIGADE!!

WE ARE THE **BAND
OF THE DAWN
FANG!!** AS YOU
KNOW, GENTLEMEN,
OUR DEEDS OF
ARMS INCLUDE
GOING UNBEATEN IN
THE RANDEL WAR OF
INDEPENDENCE...



THE GUY
ON THE
STAND'S
THE
LEADER.

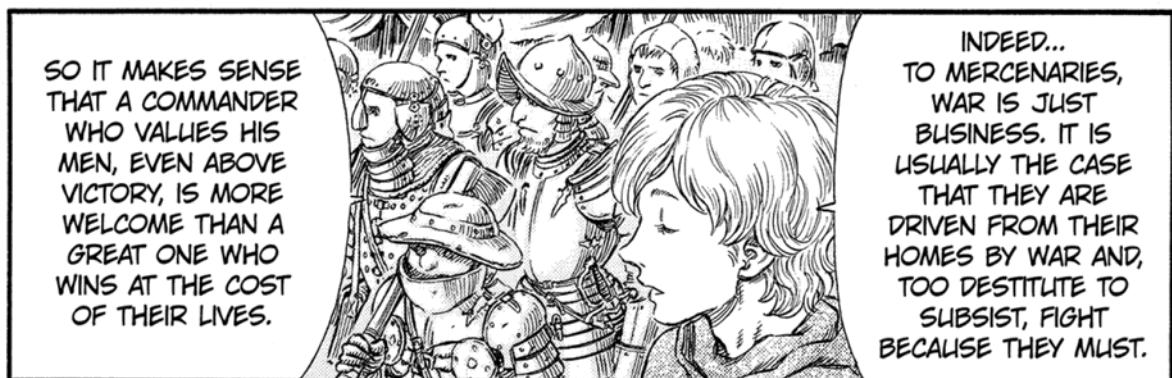
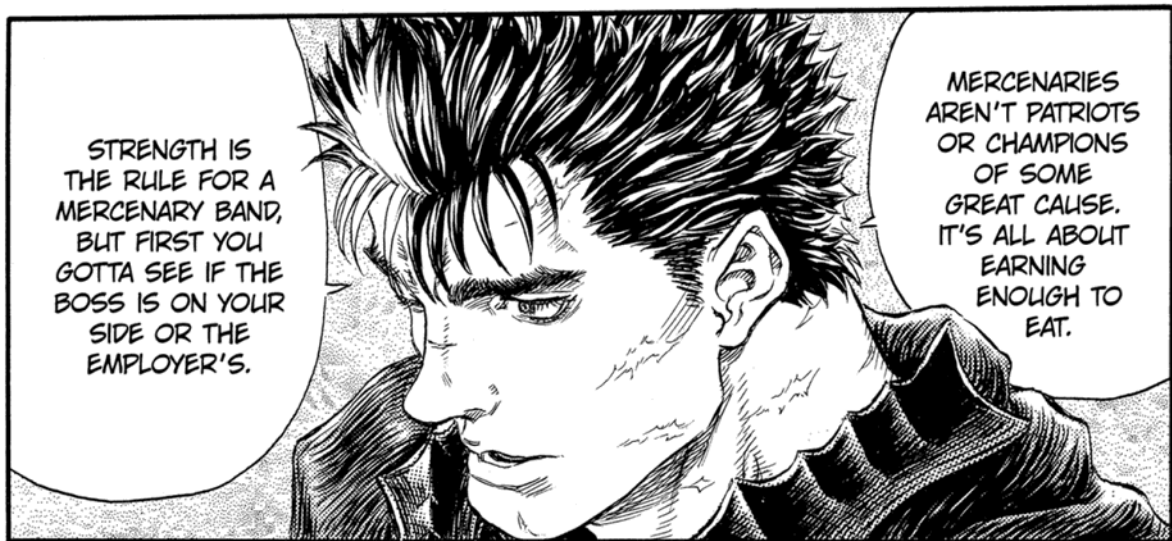
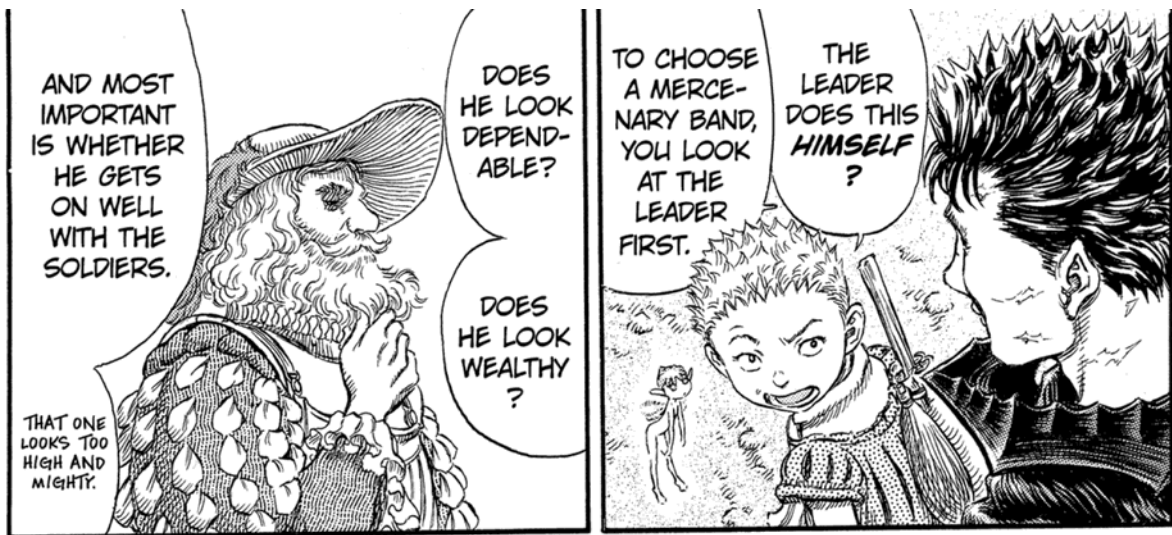
THAT'S
HOW
MERCE-
NARY
BANDS
ENLIST
TROOPS.



HE'S
A REC-
RUIT-
MENT
BAR-
KER.

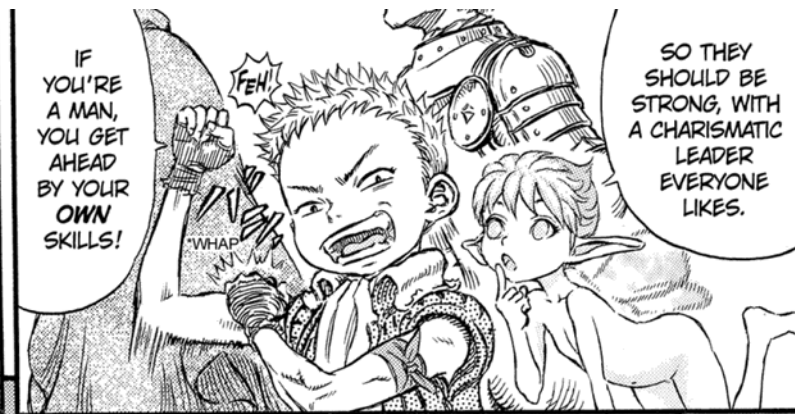
WHO'RE
THOSE
FLASHY
GLYS?

STREET
PERFORM-
ERS?



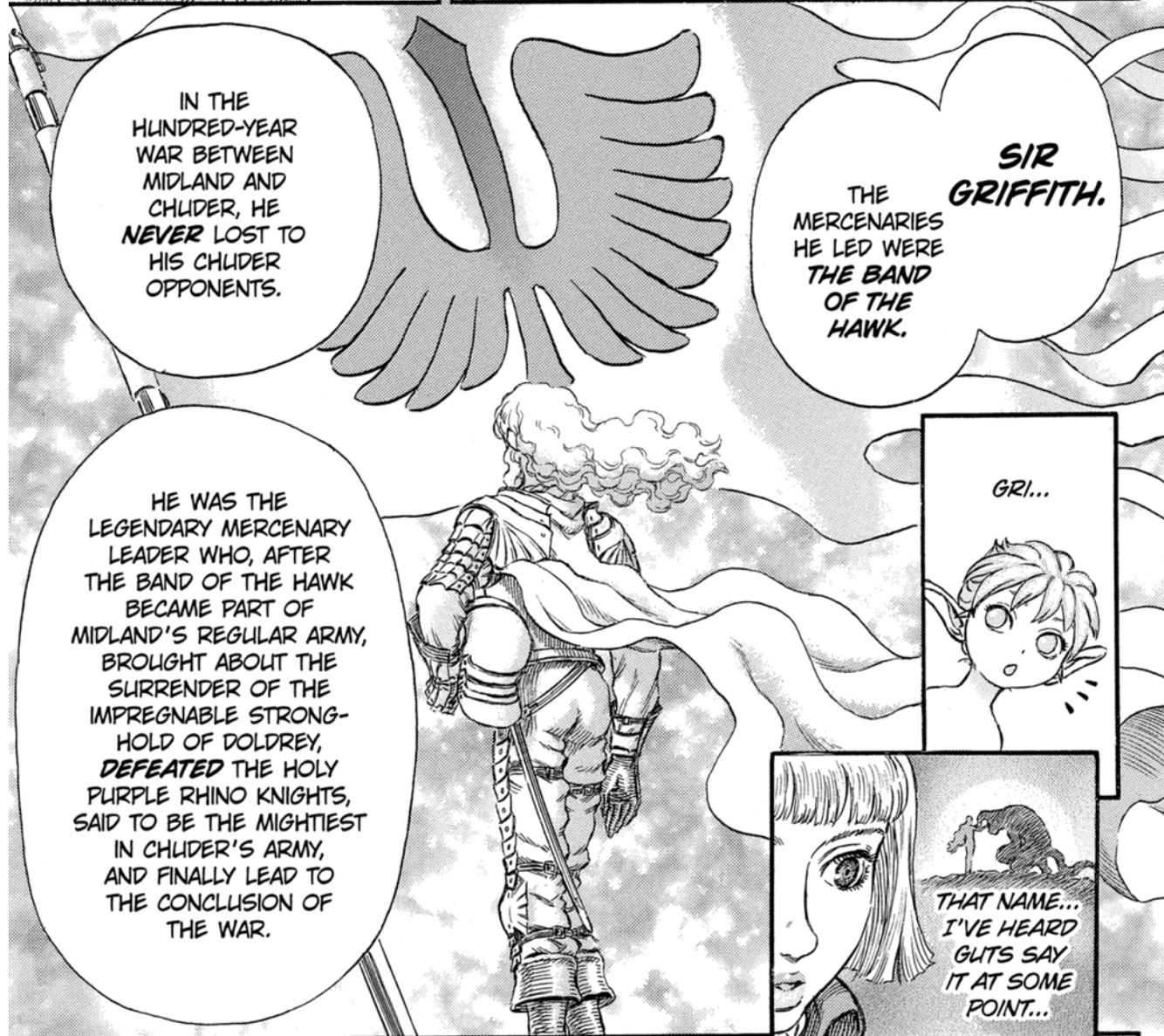


OH,
I RECALL
ONE WITH
CHARISMA.



IF
YOU'RE
A MAN,
YOU GET
AHEAD
BY YOUR
OWN
SKILLS!

SO THEY
SHOULD BE
STRONG, WITH
A CHARISMATIC
LEADER
EVERYONE
LIKES.



IN THE
HUNDRED-YEAR
WAR BETWEEN
MIDLAND AND
CHUDER, HE
NEVER LOST TO
HIS CHUDER
OPPONENTS.

**SIR
GRIFFITH.**
THE
MERCENARIES
HE LED WERE
**THE BAND
OF THE
HAWK.**

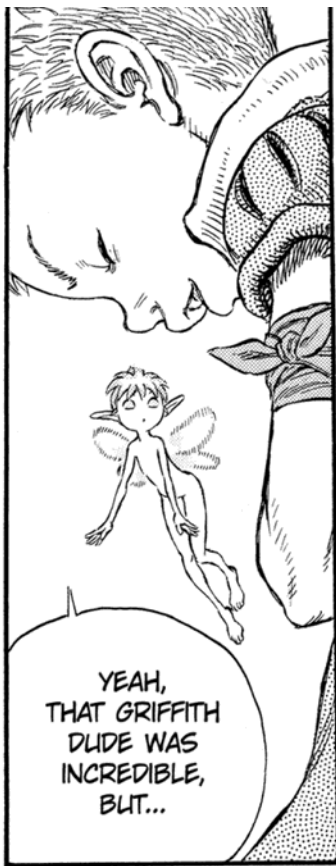
HE WAS THE
LEGENDARY MERCENARY
LEADER WHO, AFTER
THE BAND OF THE HAWK
BECAME PART OF
MIDLAND'S REGULAR ARMY,
BROUGHT ABOUT THE
SURRENDER OF THE
IMPREGNABLE STRONG-
HOLD OF DOLDREY,
DEFEATED THE HOLY
PURPLE RHINO KNIGHTS,
SAID TO BE THE MIGHTIEST
IN CHUDER'S ARMY,
AND FINALLY LEAD TO
THE CONCLUSION OF
THE WAR.

GRI...



THAT NAME...
I'VE HEARD
GUTS SAY
IT AT SOME
POINT...





YEAH,
THAT GRIFFITH
DUDE WAS
INCREDIBLE,
BUT...



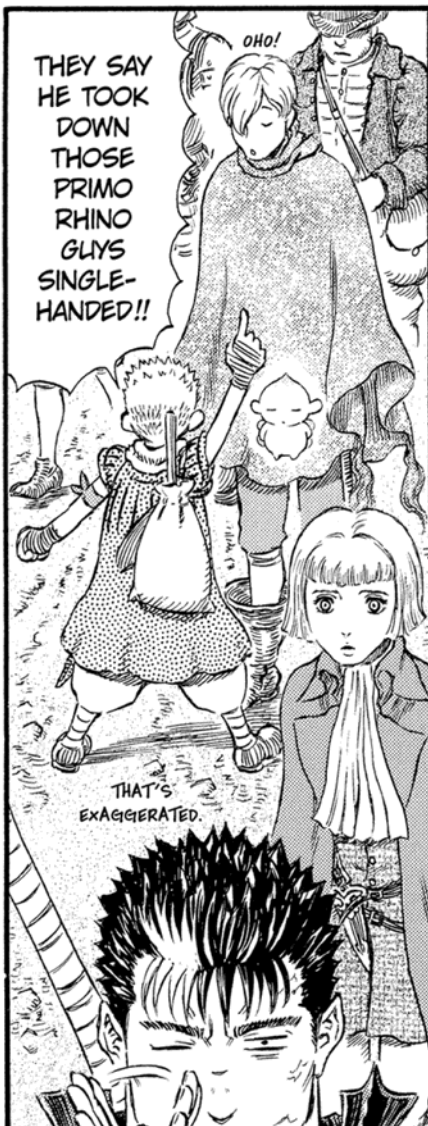
...IT WAS
THANKS TO
HEARIN'
THAT THAT
I DECIDED
TO GO
DOWN THIS
ROAD.

ANY RATE,
IT'S NO
EXAGGERATION
TO SAY...



I KNOW
THAT ONE!!
EVERY
MAN
DOES!!

YEAH
HH!!



THEY SAY
HE TOOK
DOWN
THOSE
PRIMO
RHINO
GUYS
SINGLE-
HANDED!!

OH!

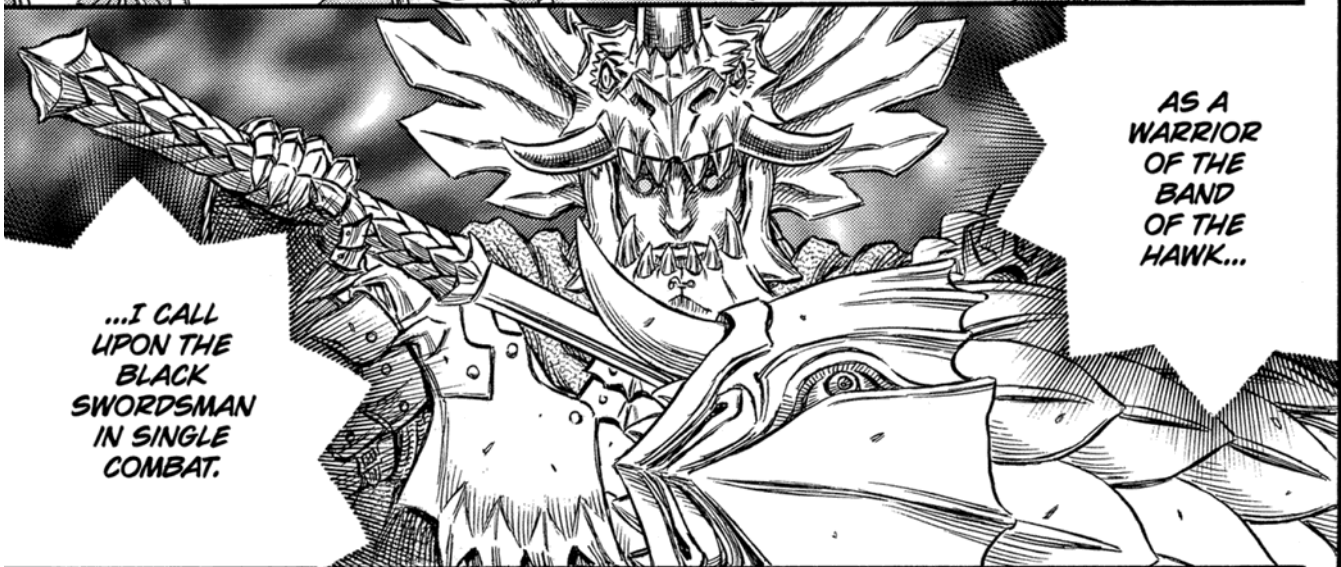
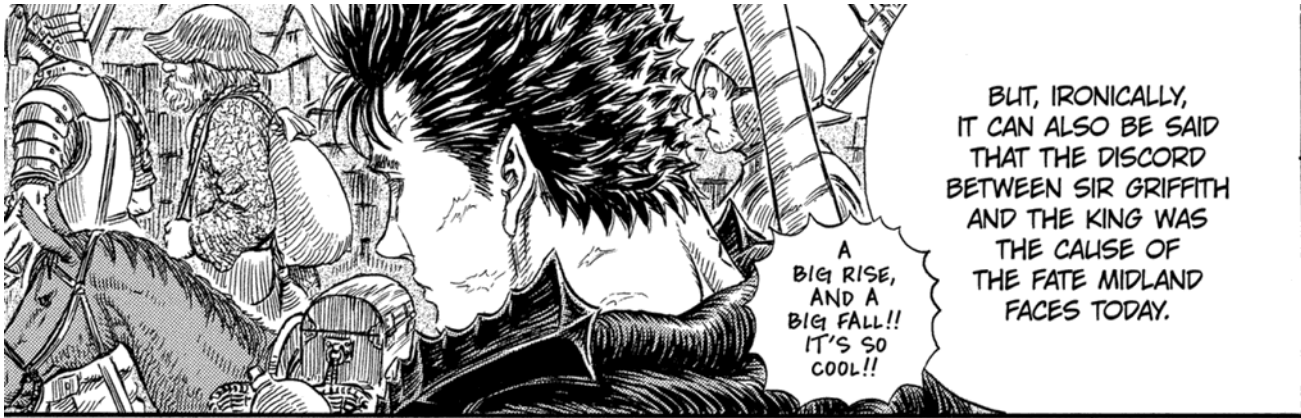
THAT'S
EXAGGERATED.

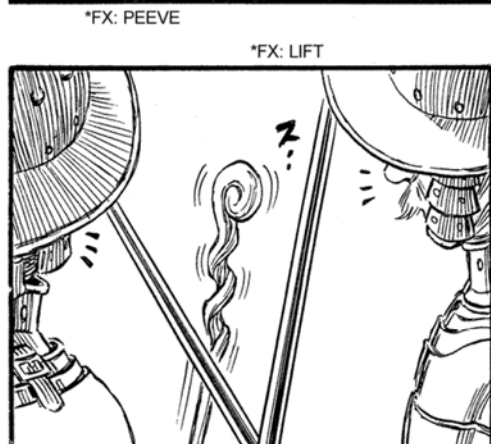
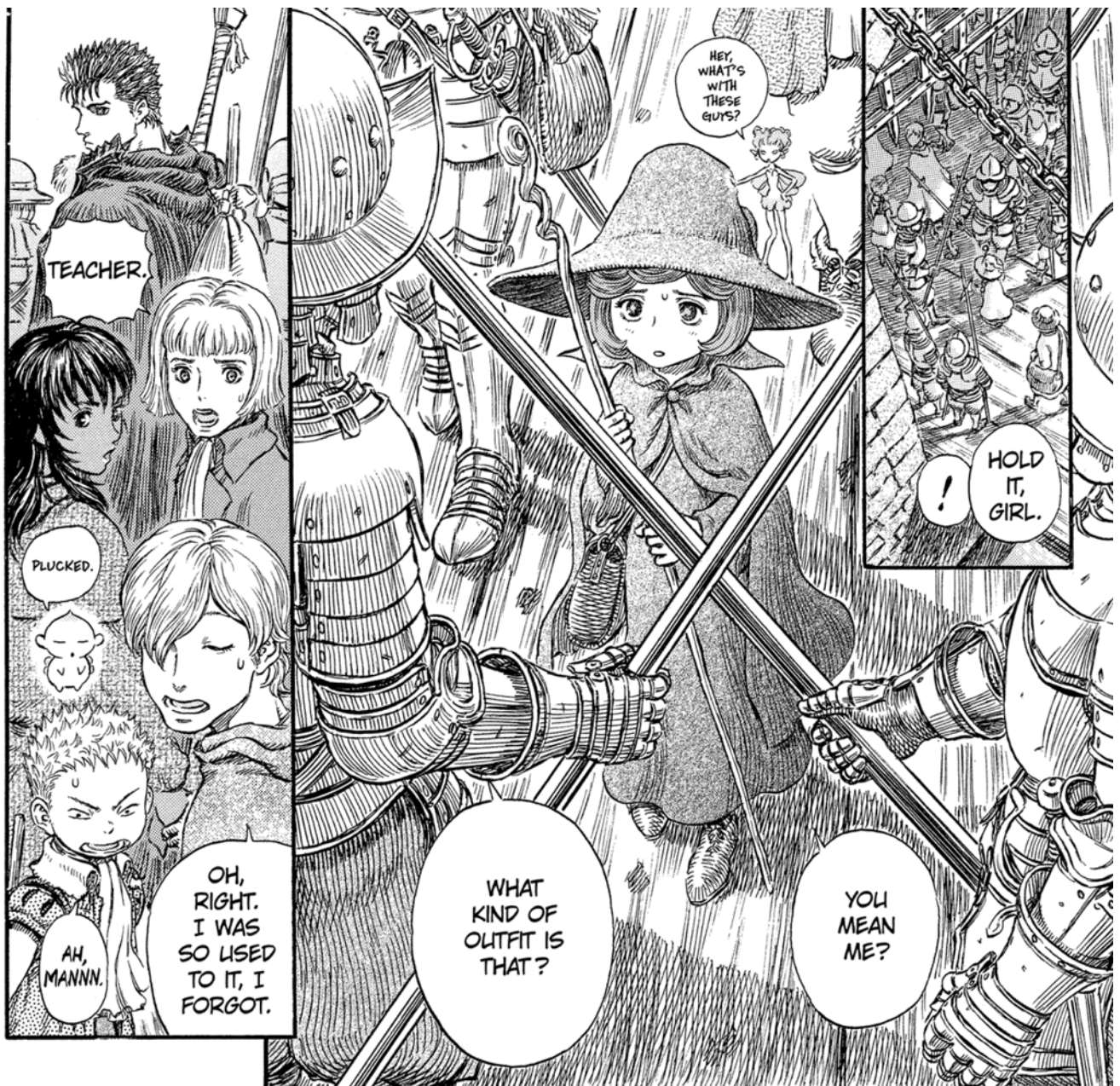


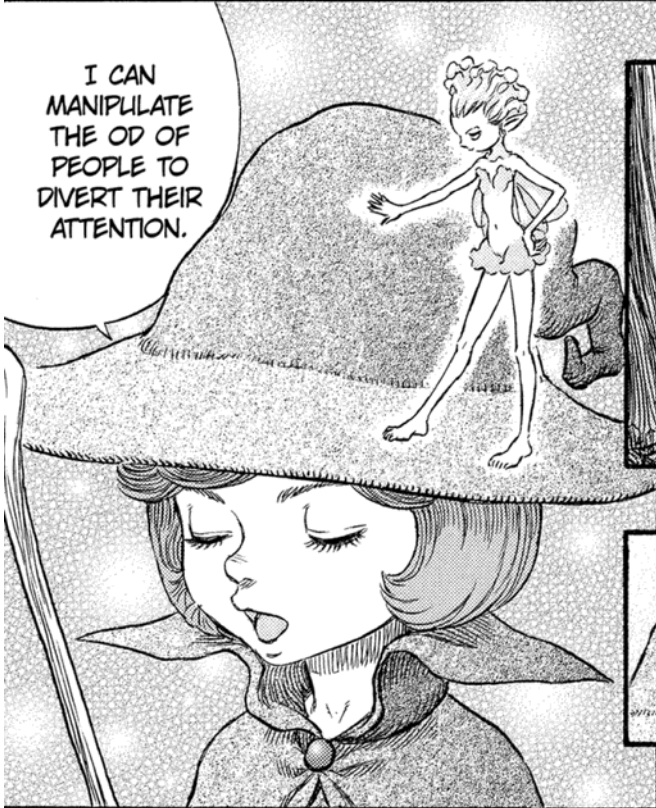
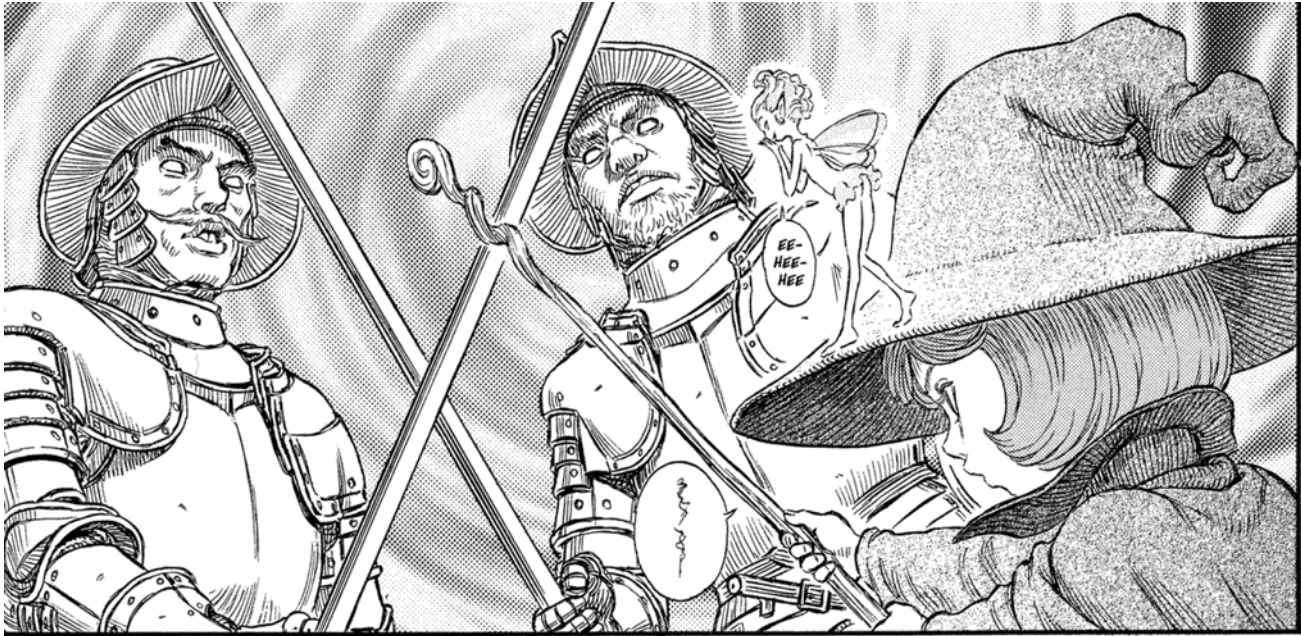
I MEAN,
HE CUT
DOWN
SOMETHIN'
LIKE A
HUNDRED...
NO, A
THOUSAND
OPPONENTS!!

THE BAND
OF THE
HAWK'S
RAIDERS
CAPTAIN...
THAT
GUY WAS
WICKED
STRONG!!

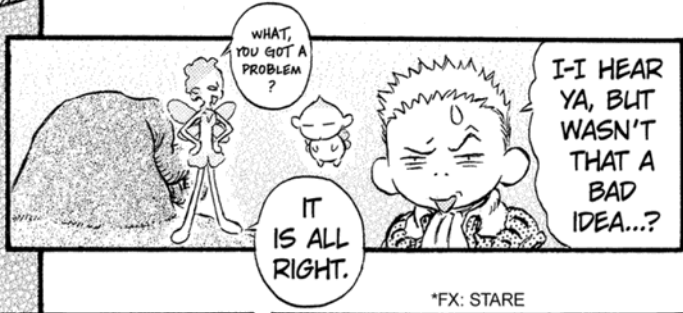
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*FX: STRIDE STRIDE



*FX: STARE

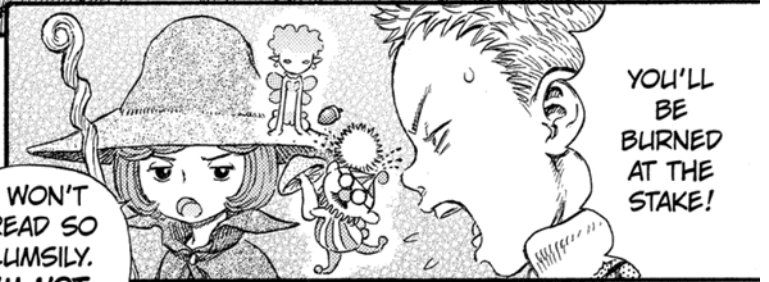
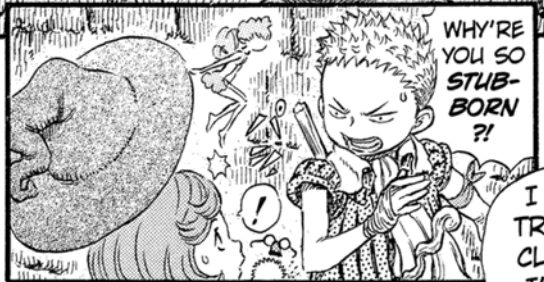
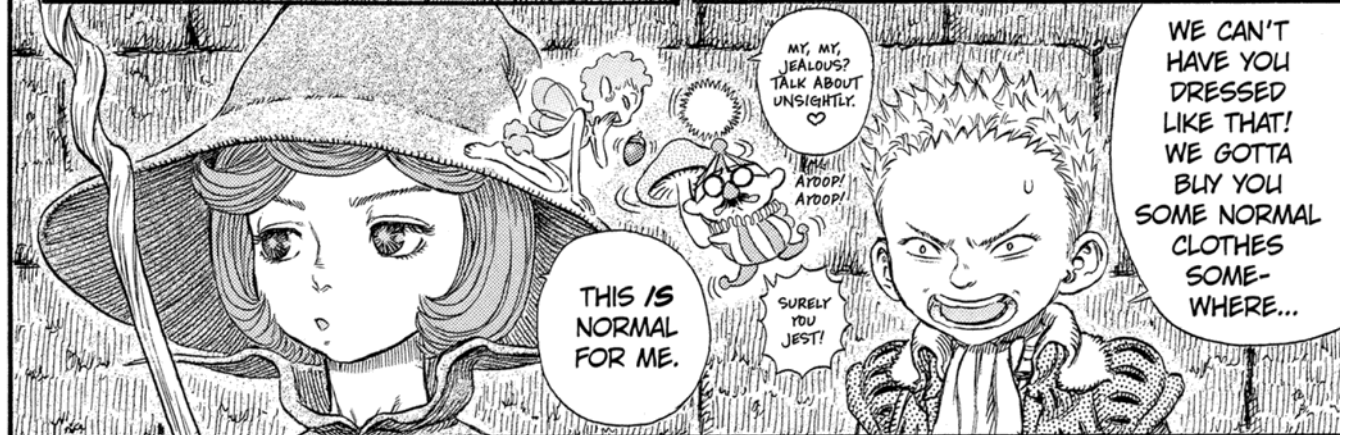
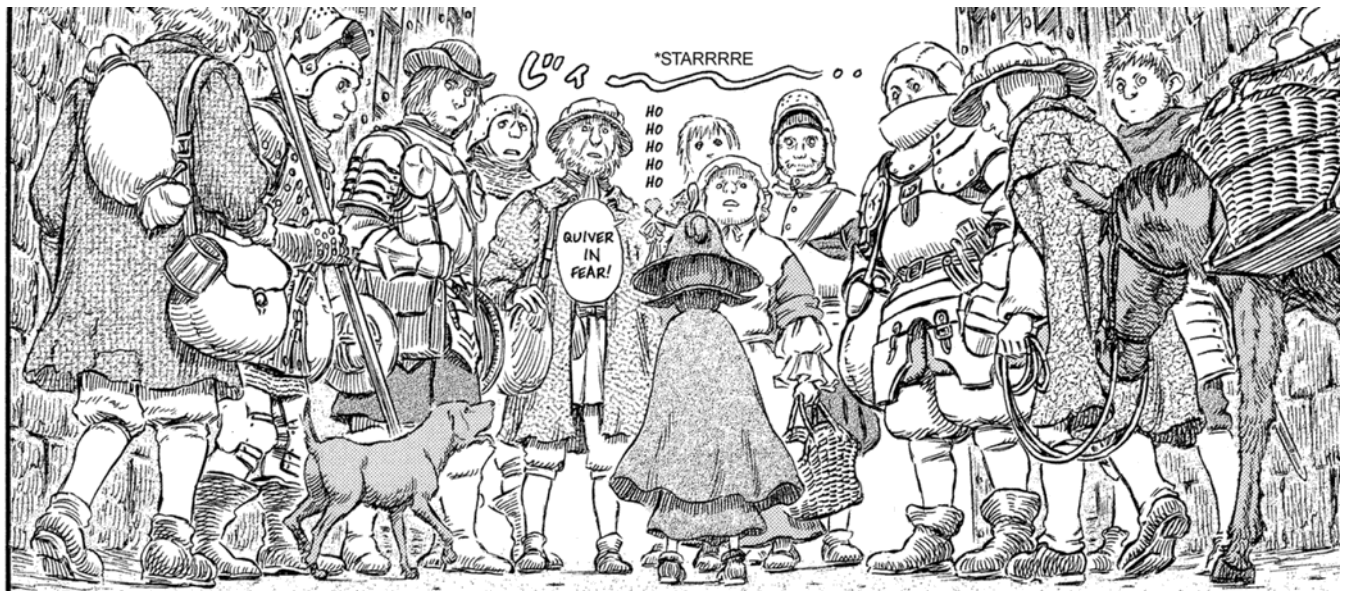


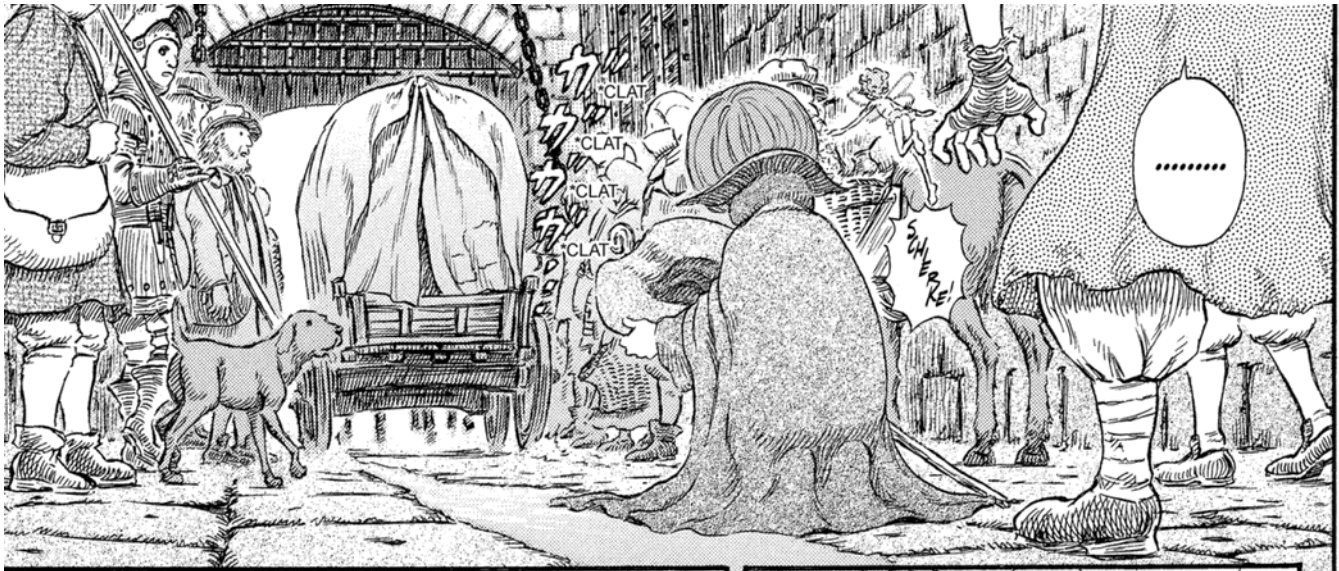
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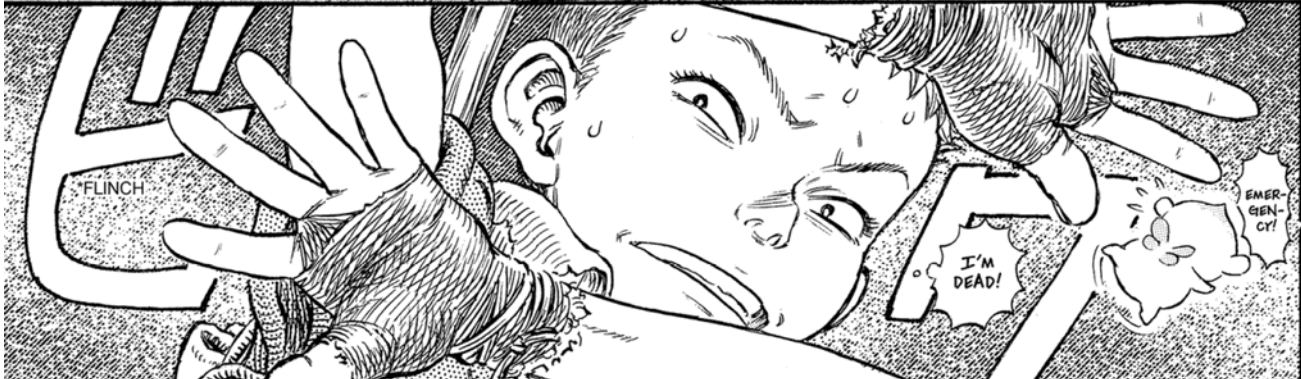
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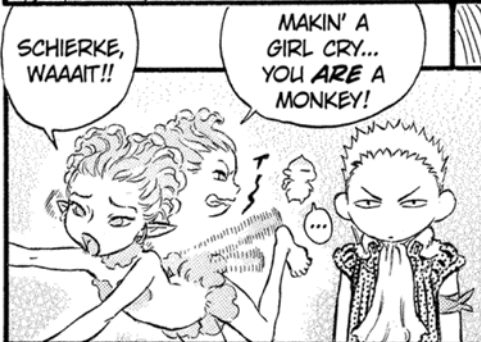
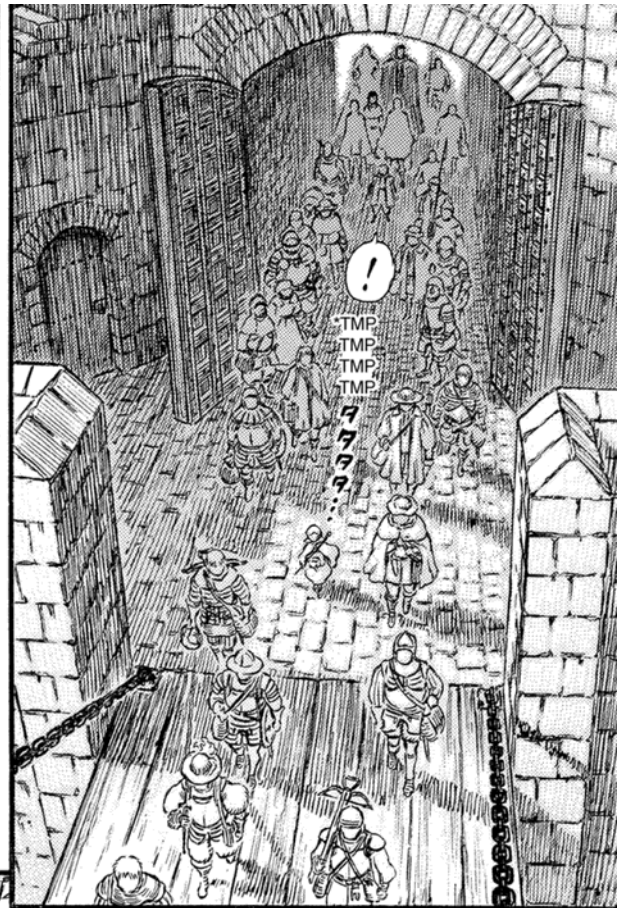
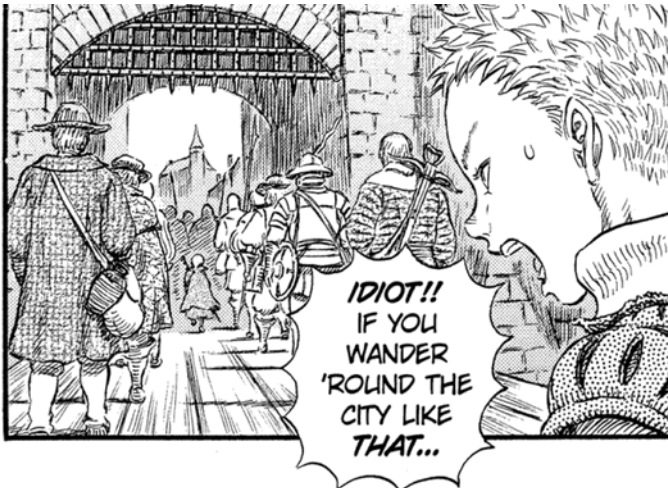


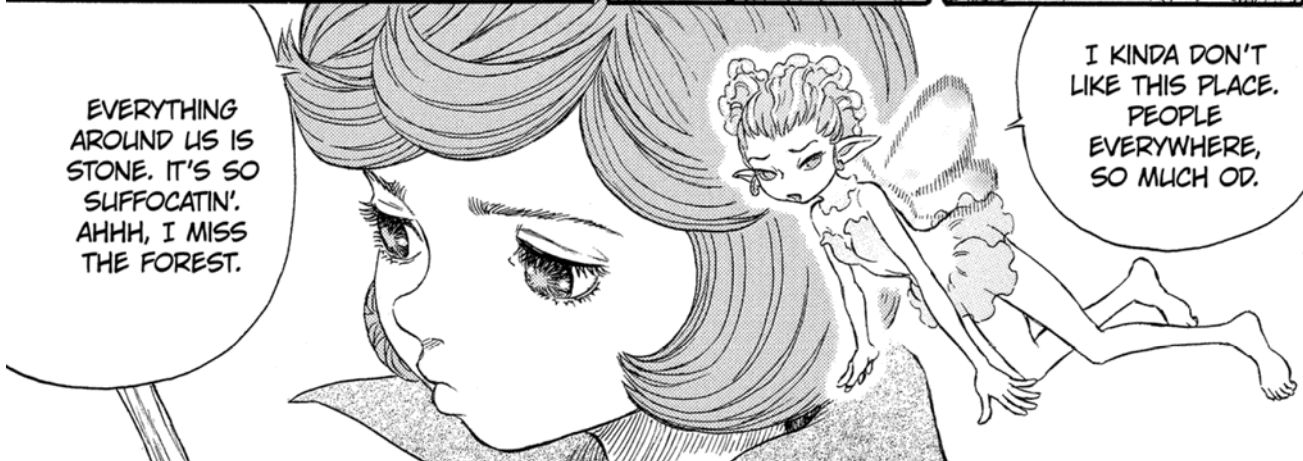
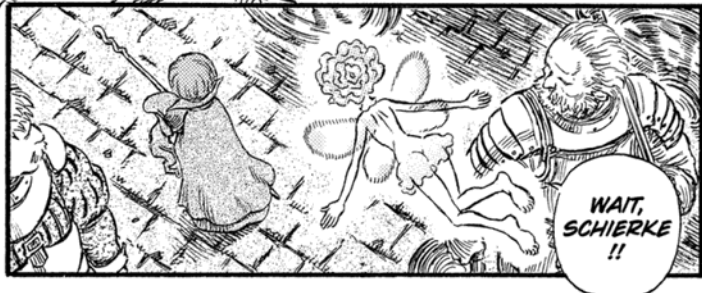
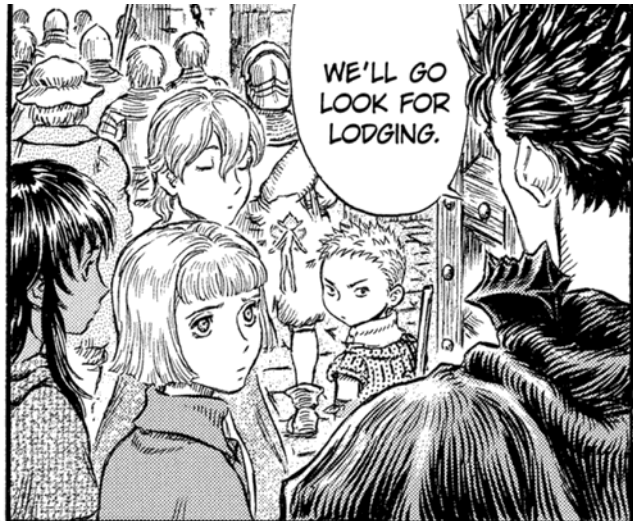


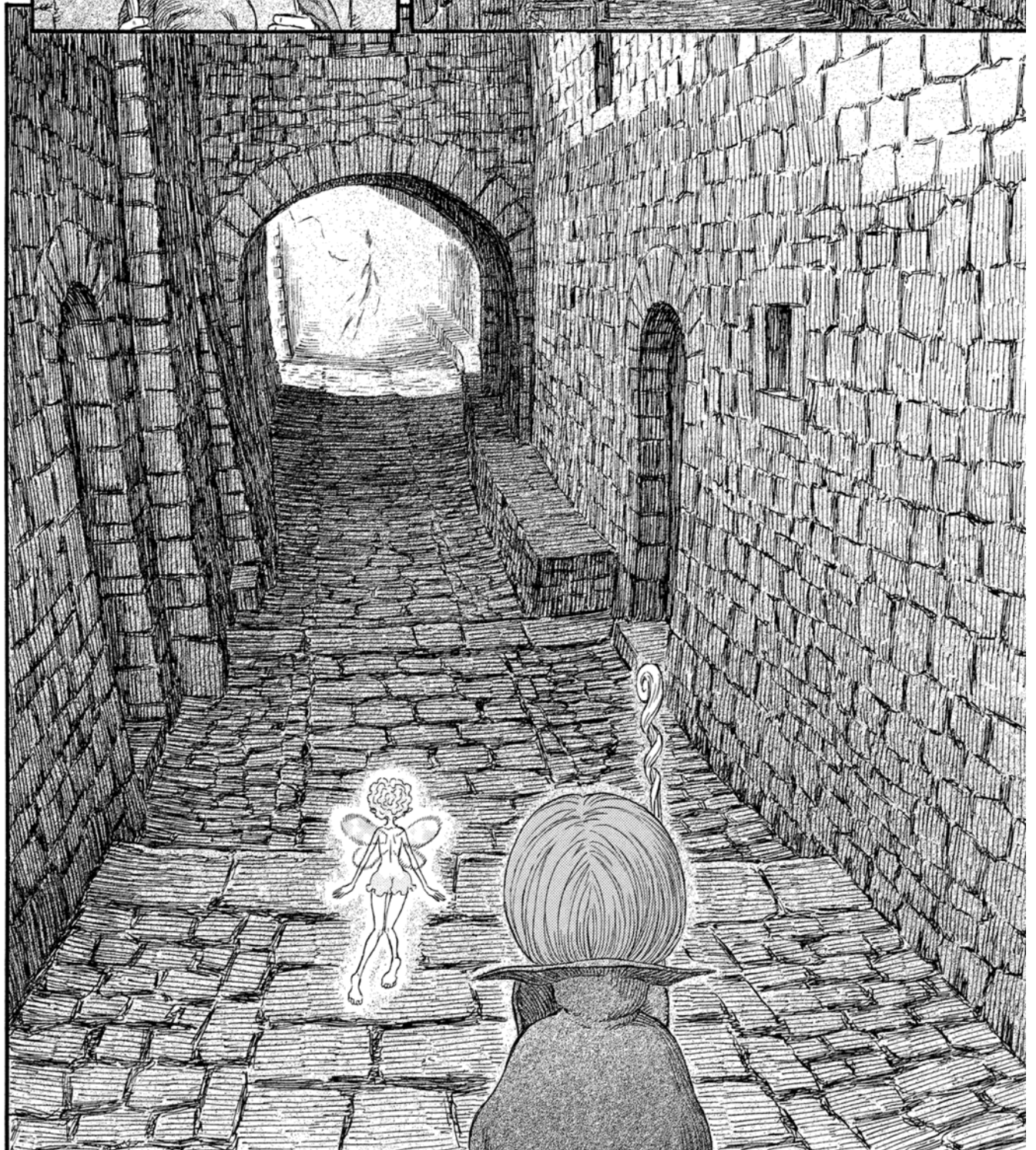
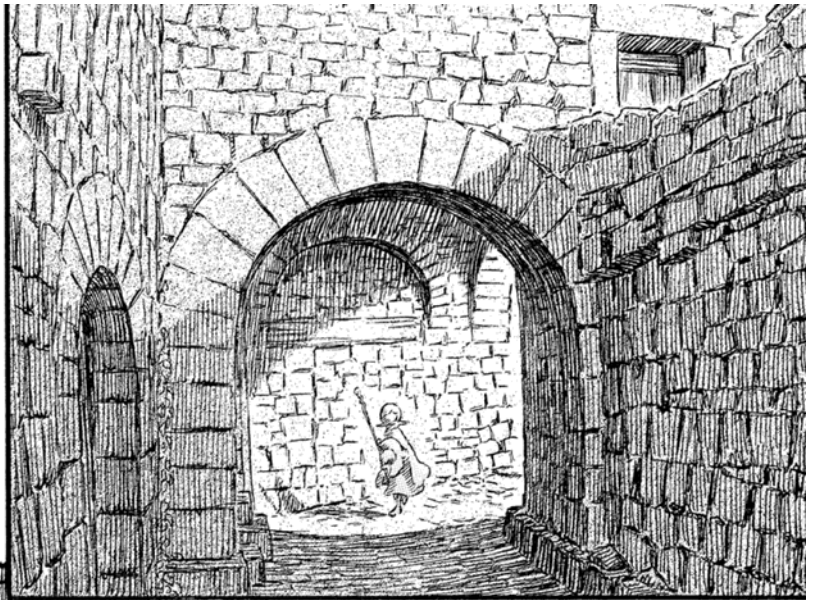
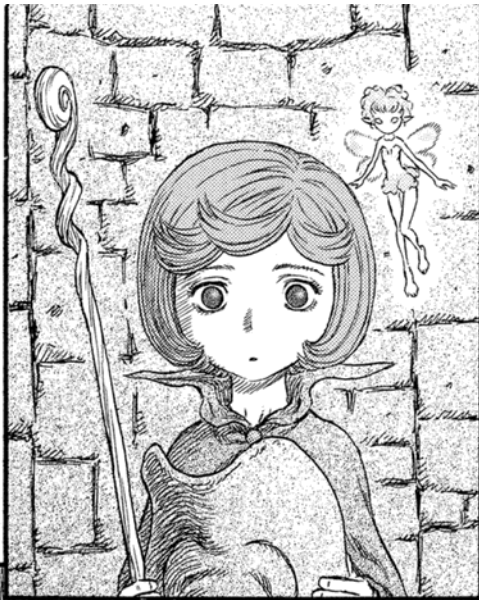


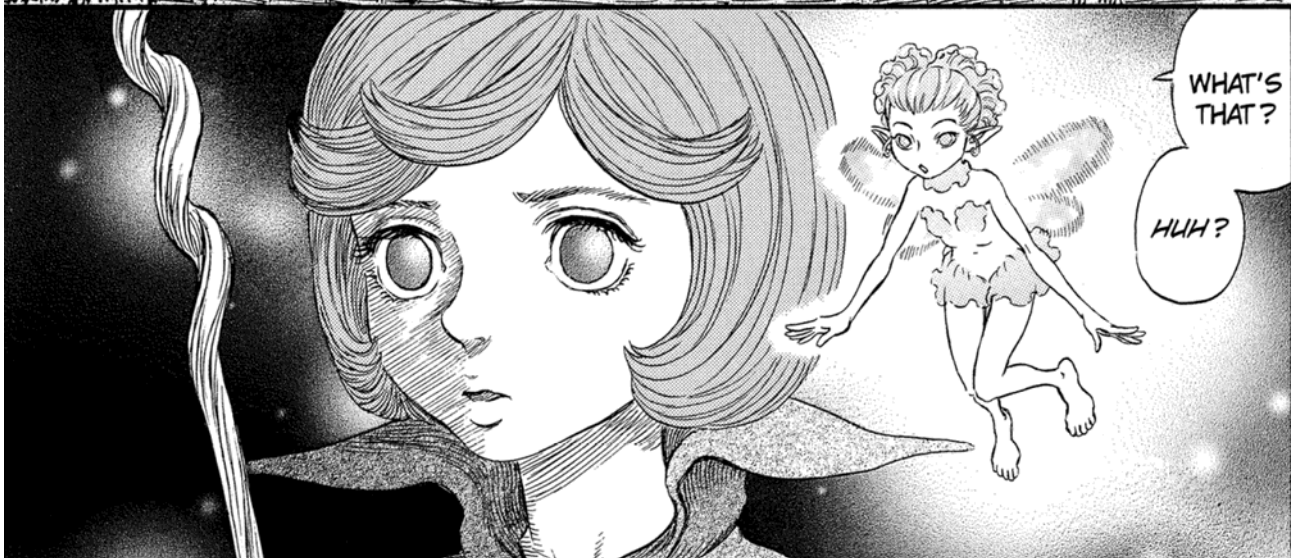
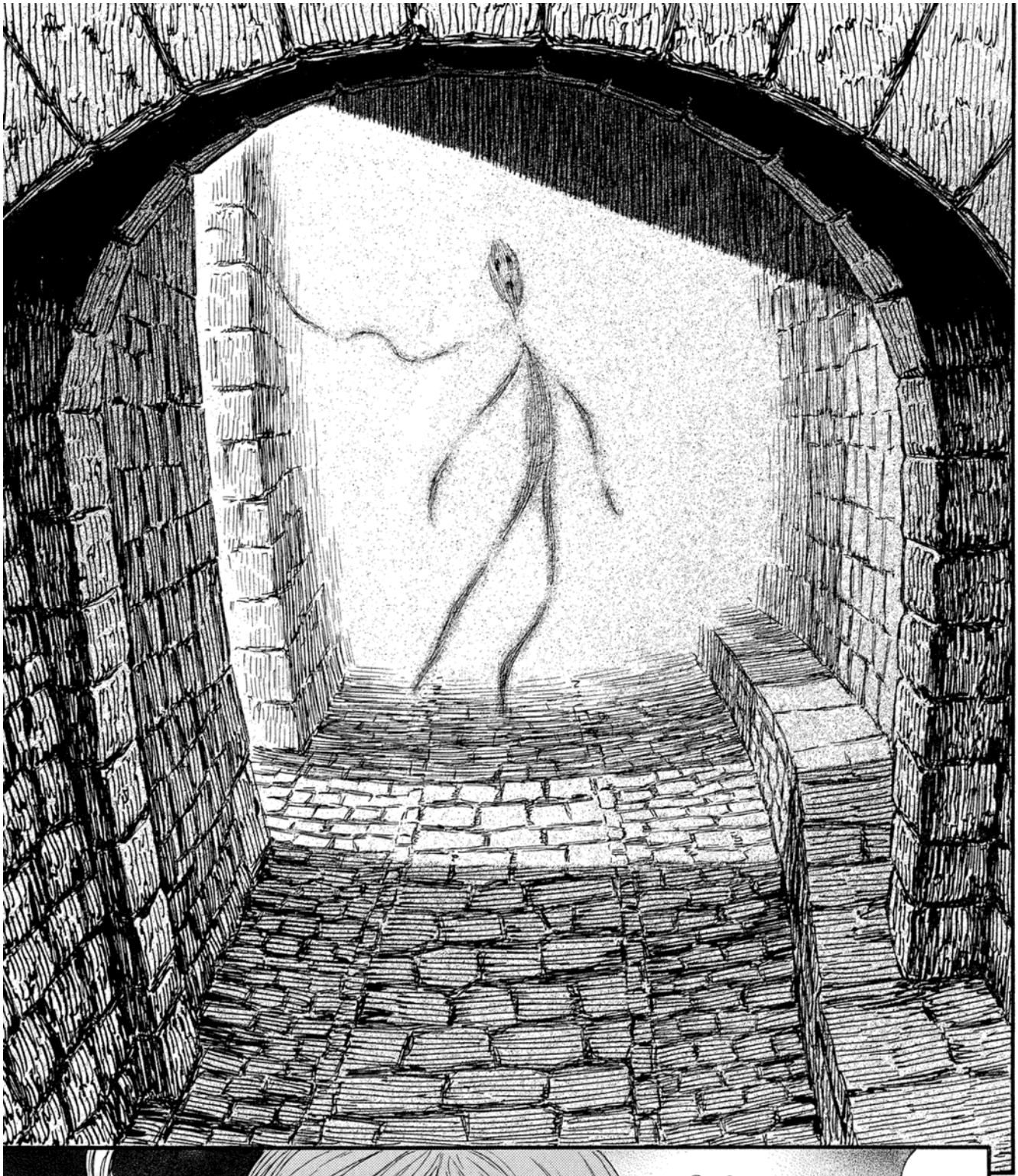
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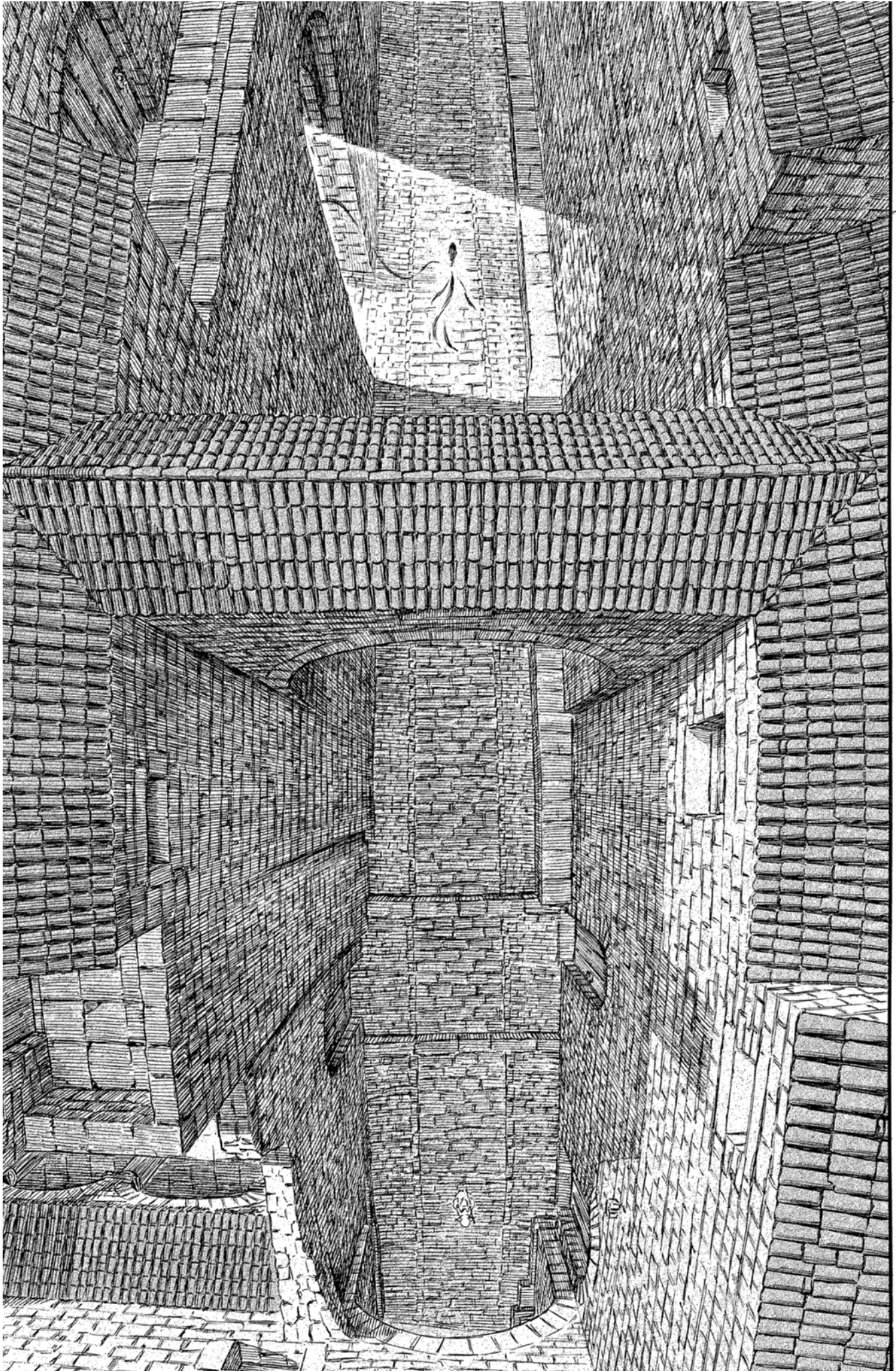


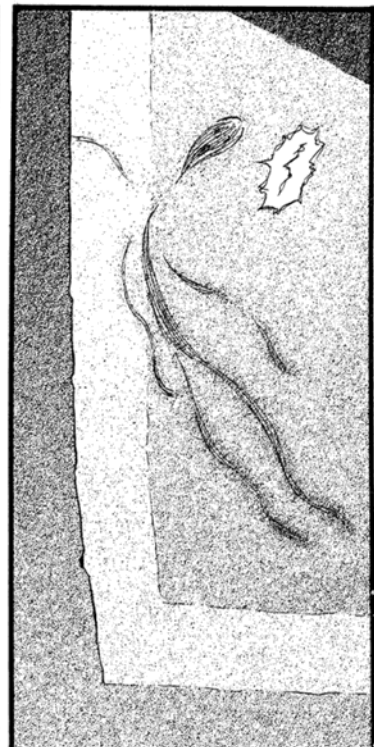
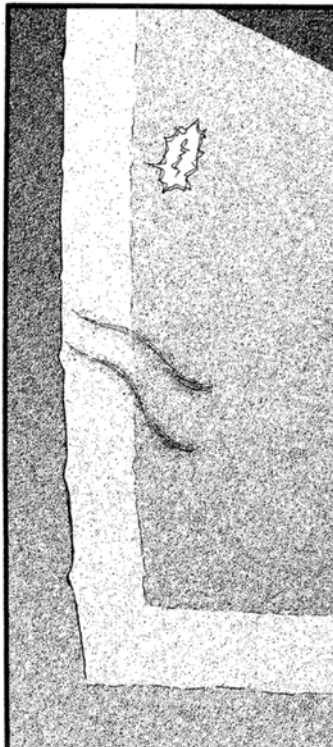
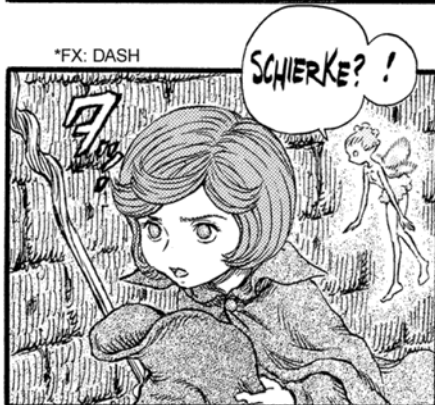
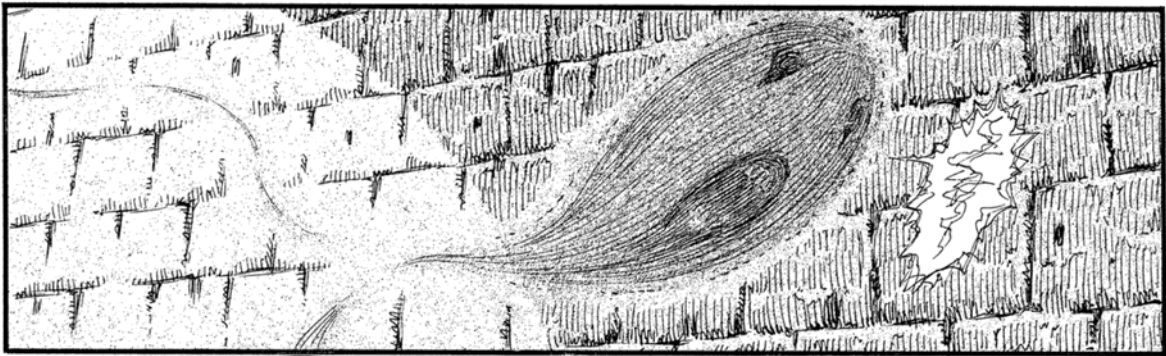
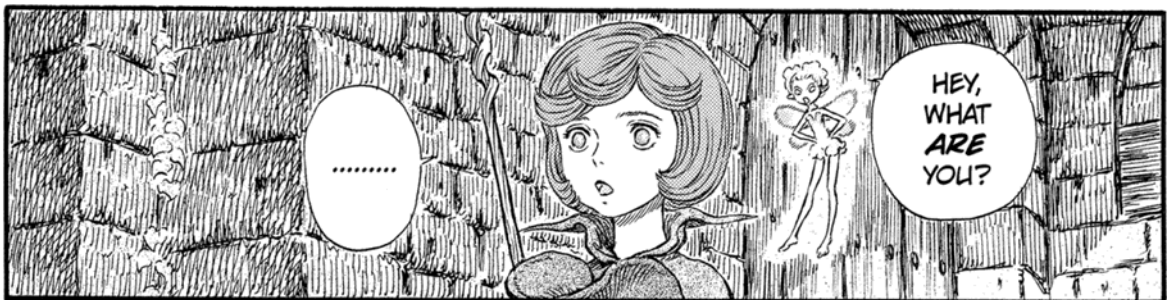
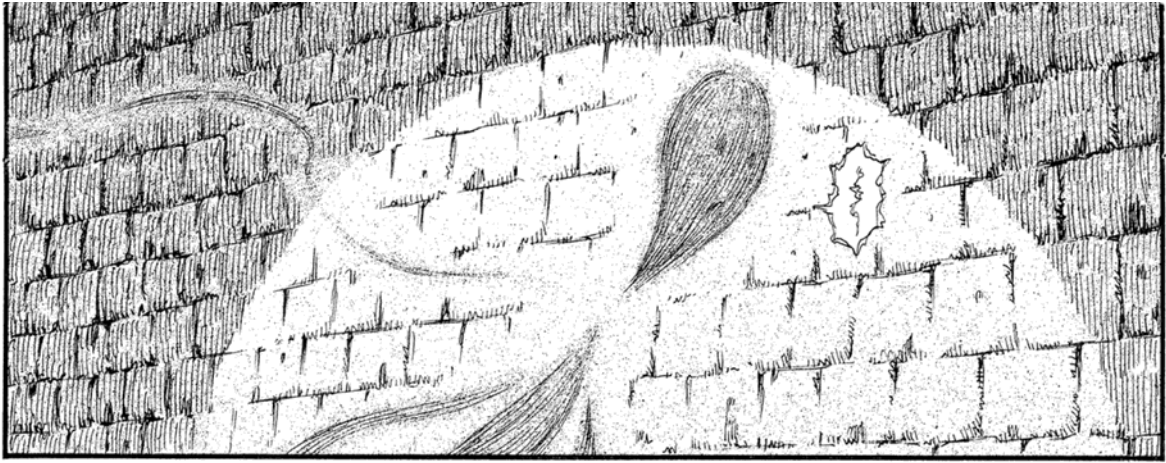


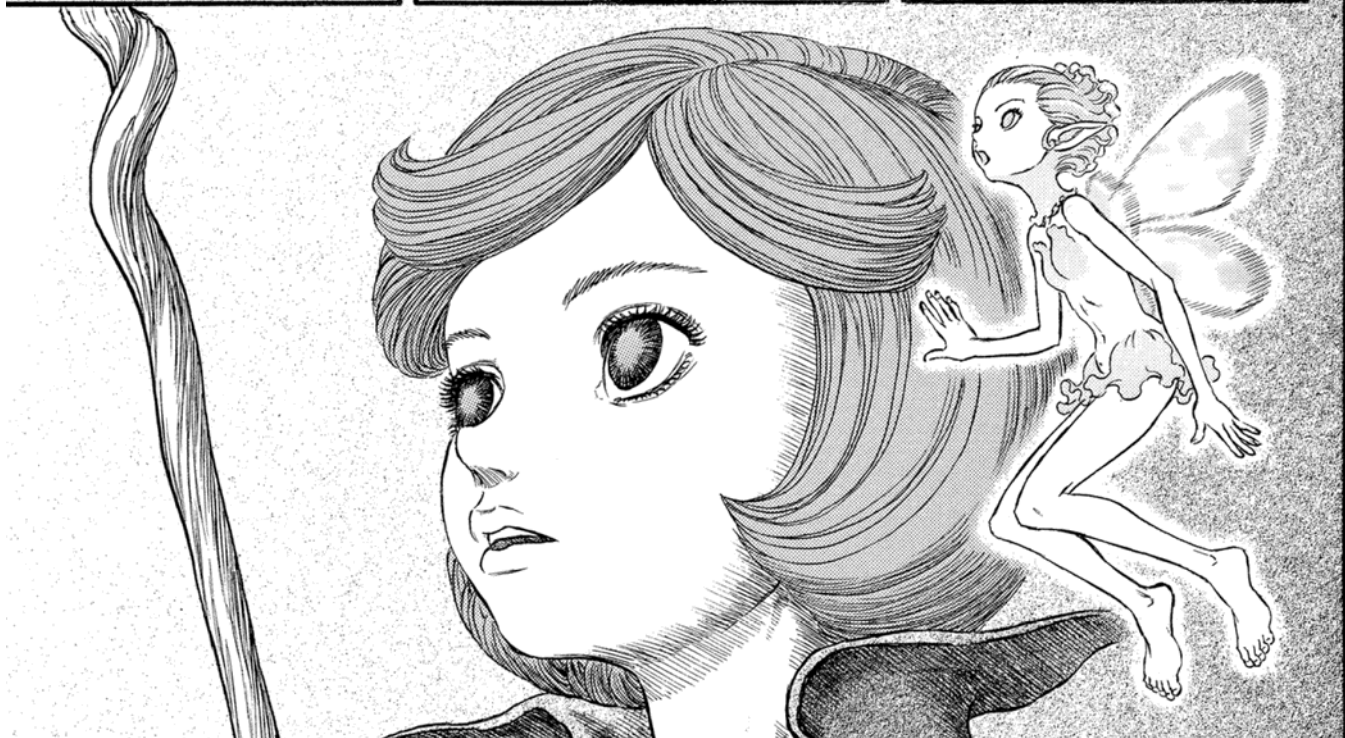
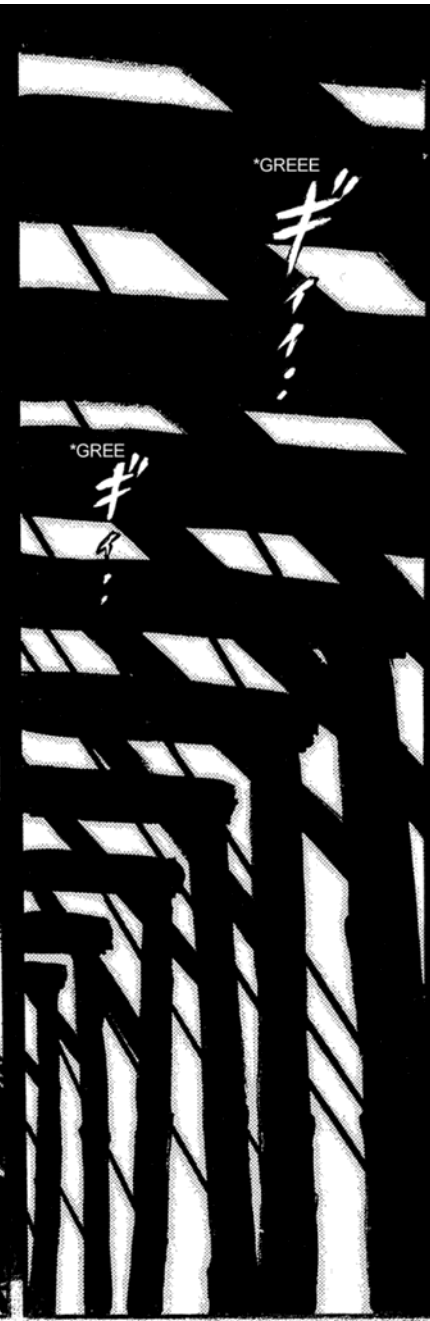
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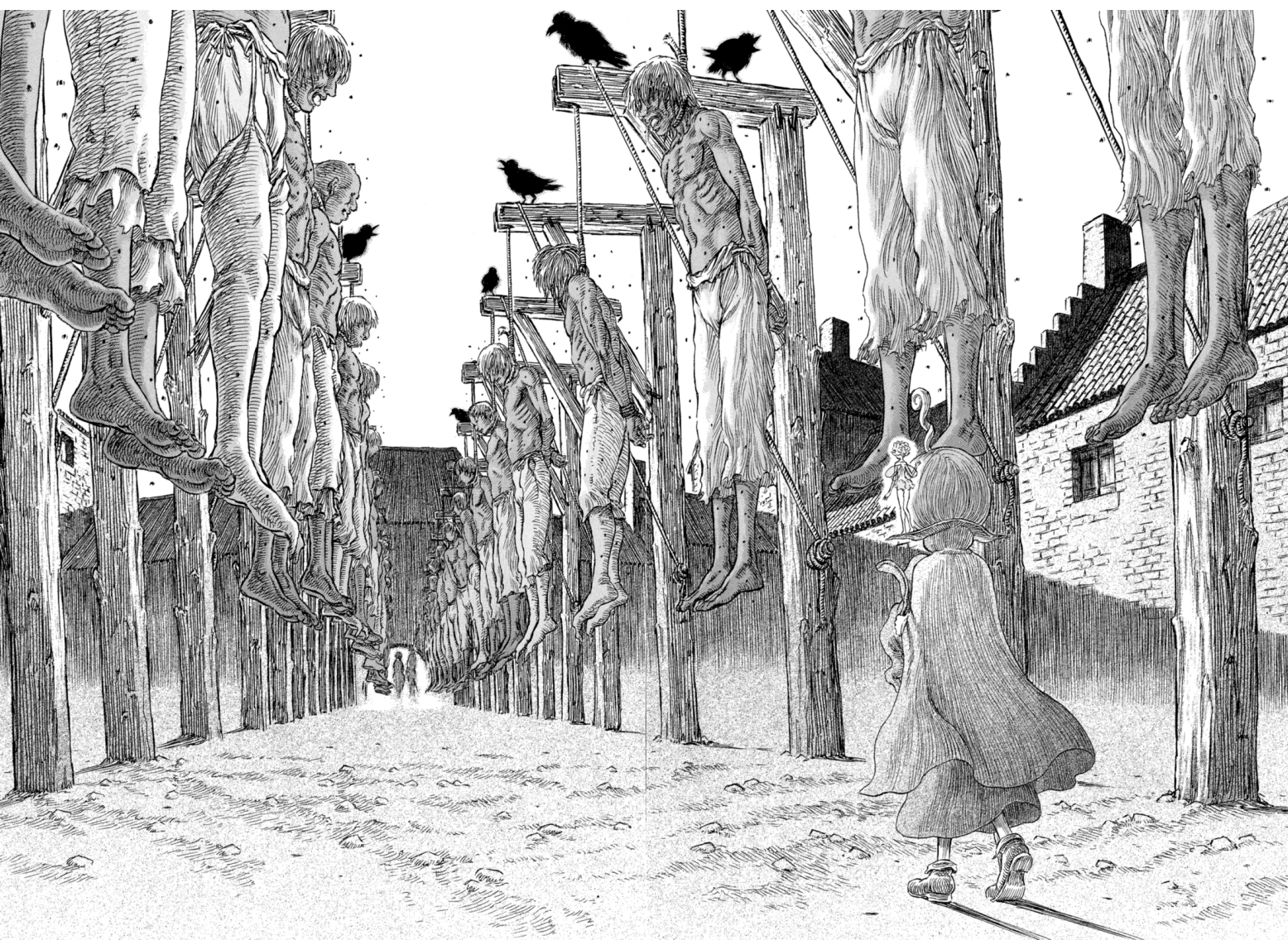
ひとまち
人間の都市

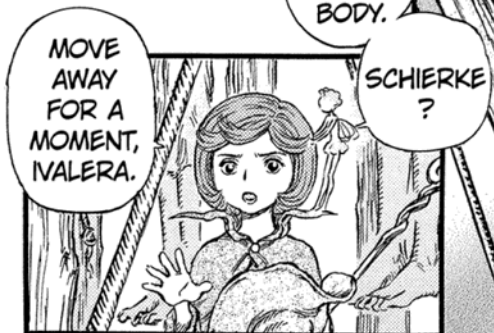
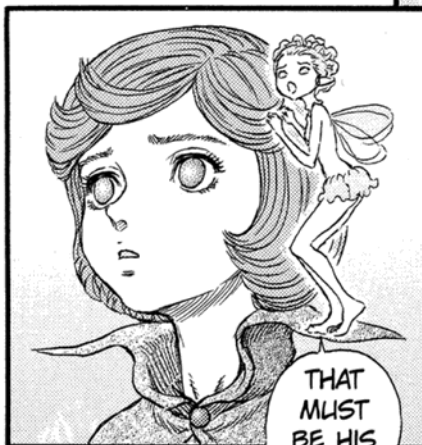
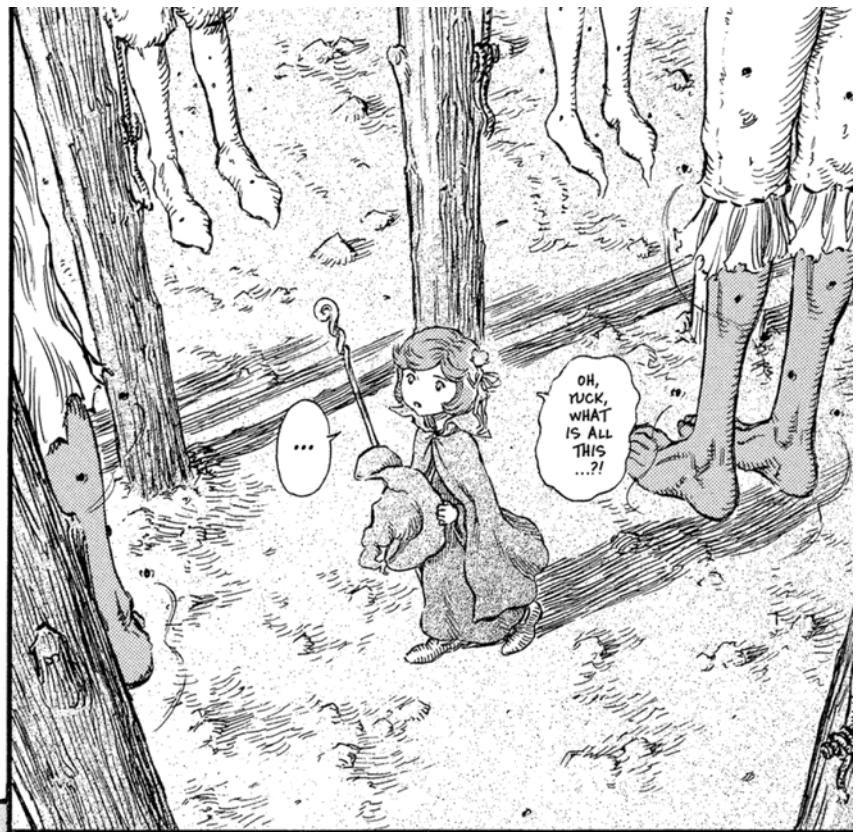
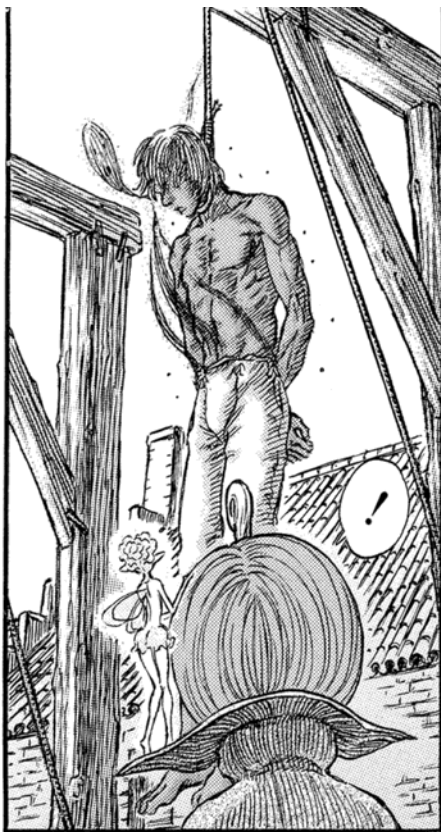
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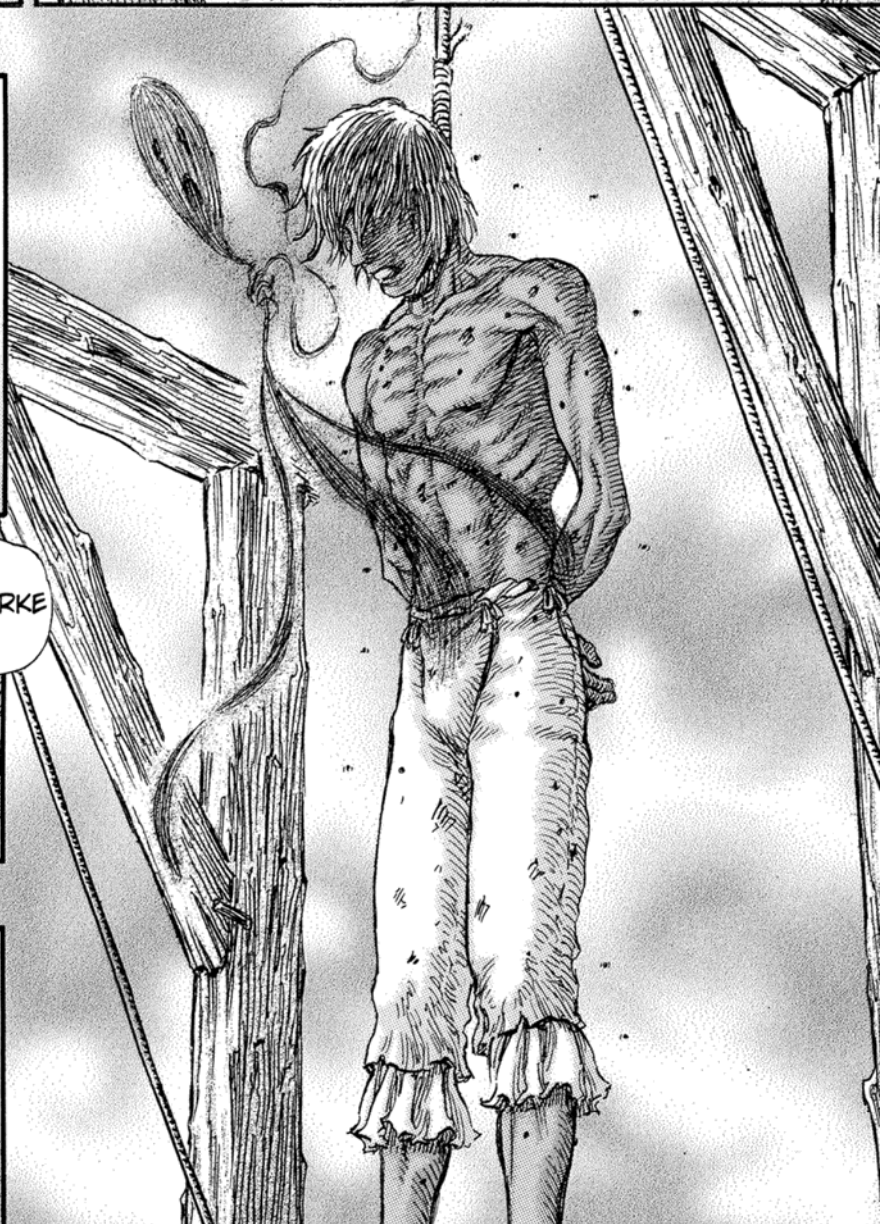




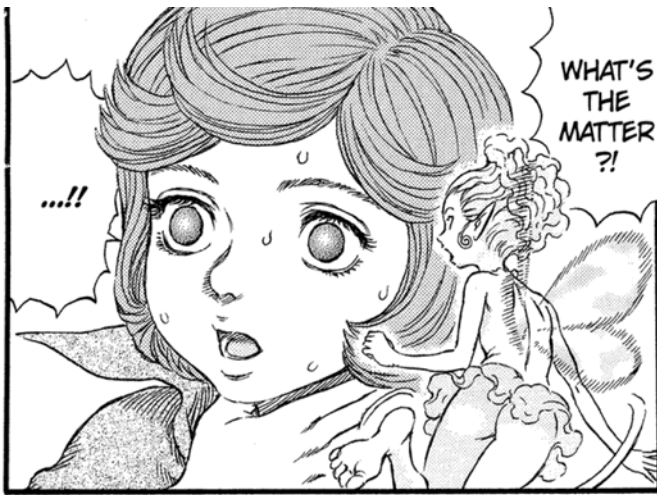


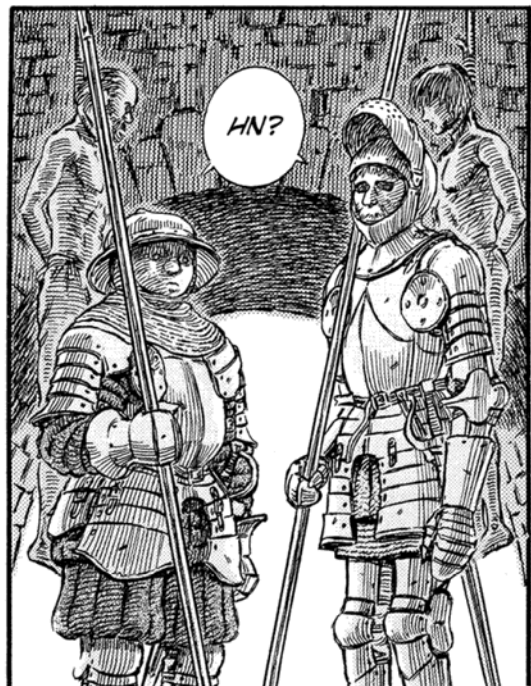
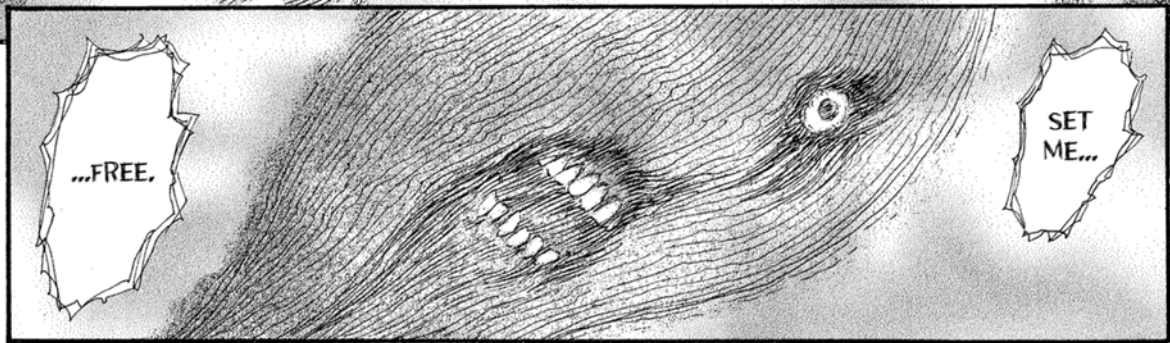
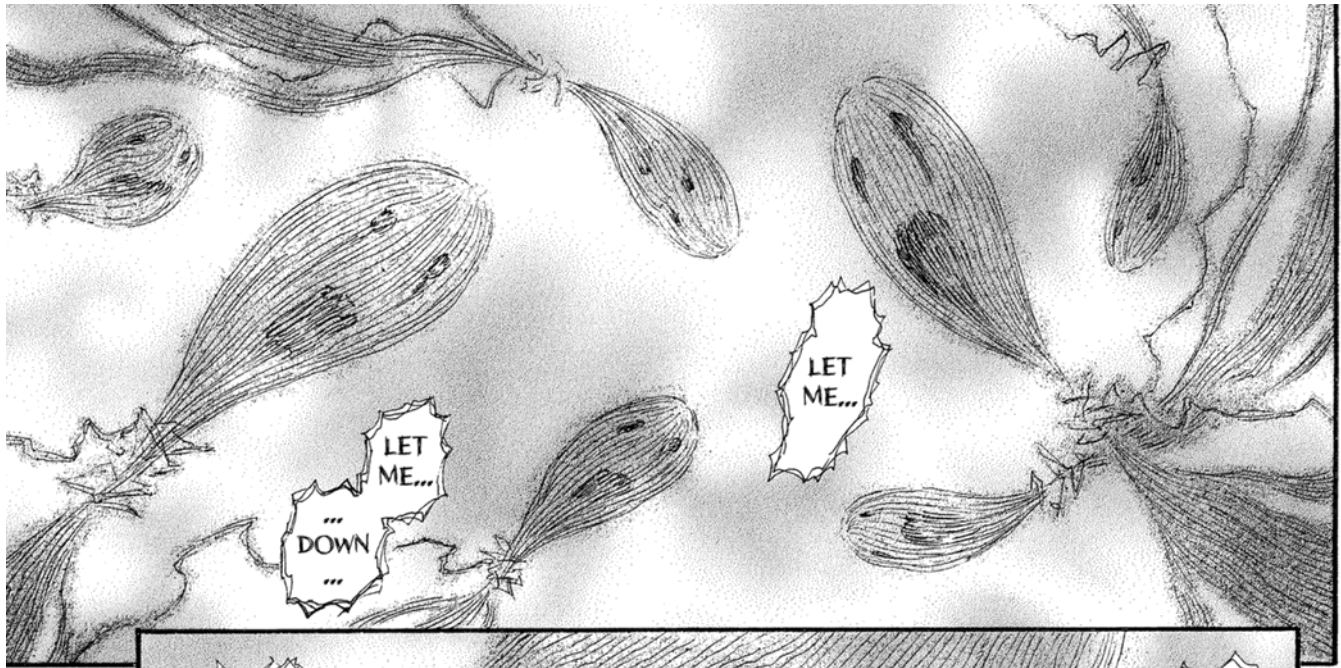


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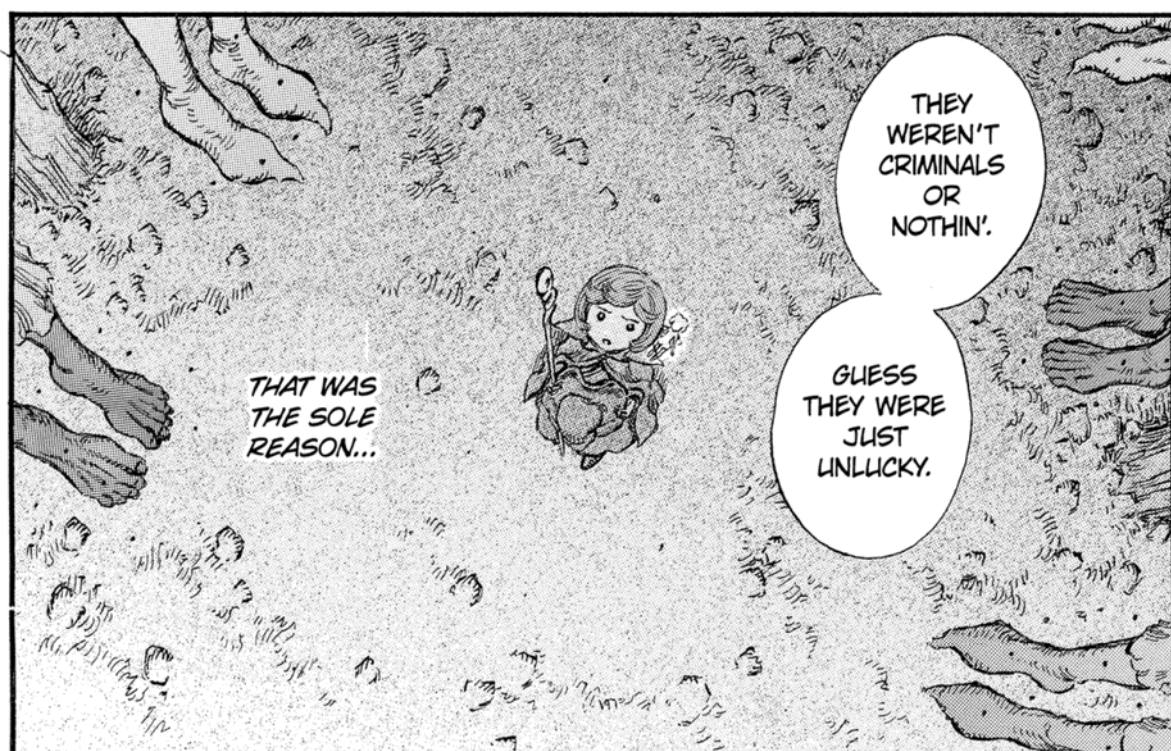
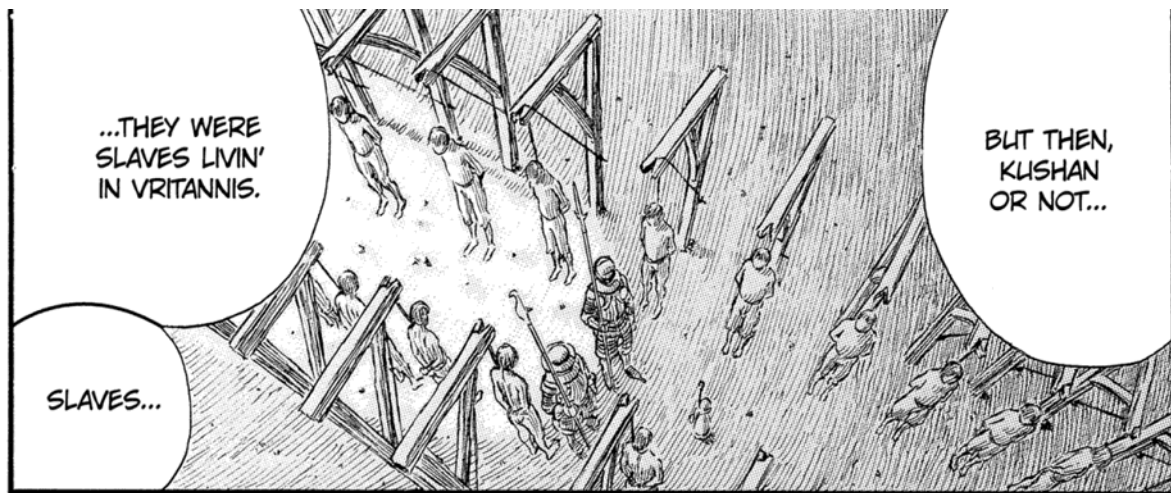


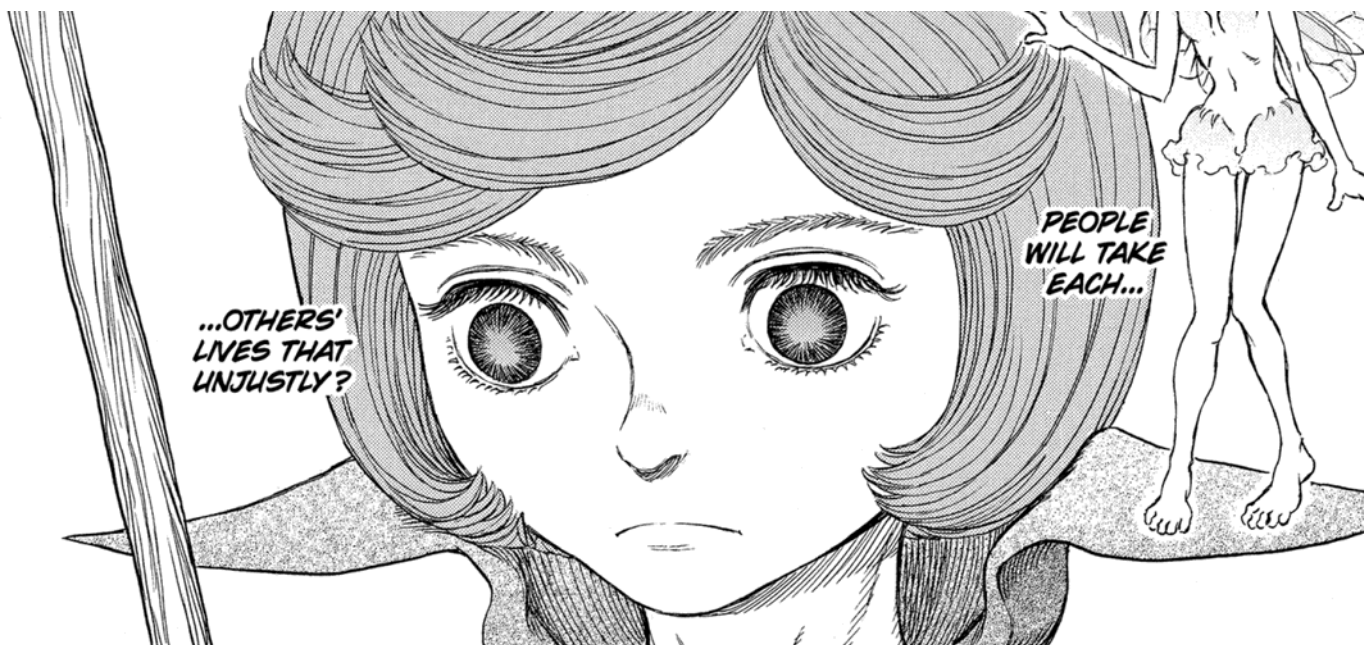












...OTHERS' LIVES THAT UNJUSTLY?

PEOPLE WILL TAKE EACH...



I WILL TAKE THEM DOWN IMMEDIATELY AND CREMATE THEM.

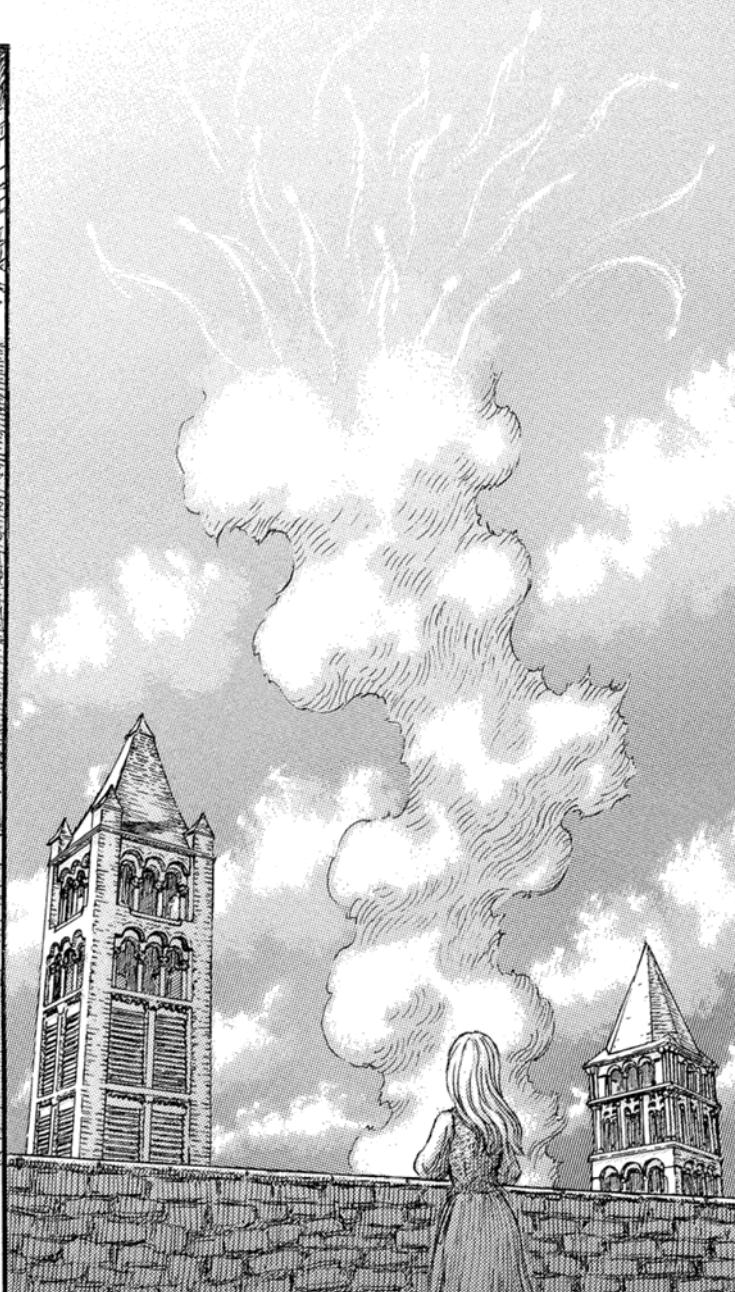
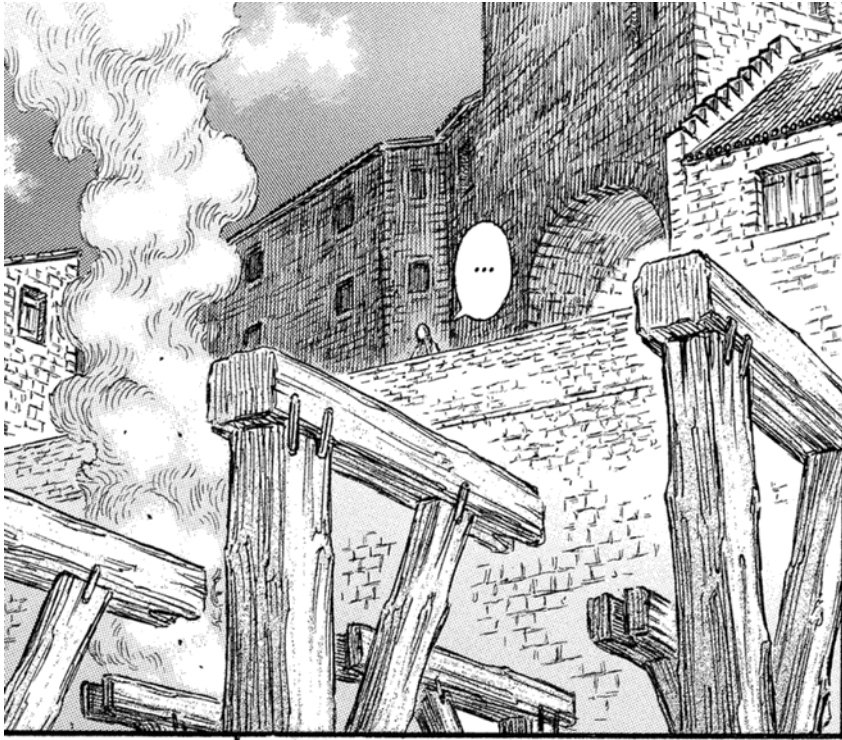
YOU TWO WILL ASSIST ME.

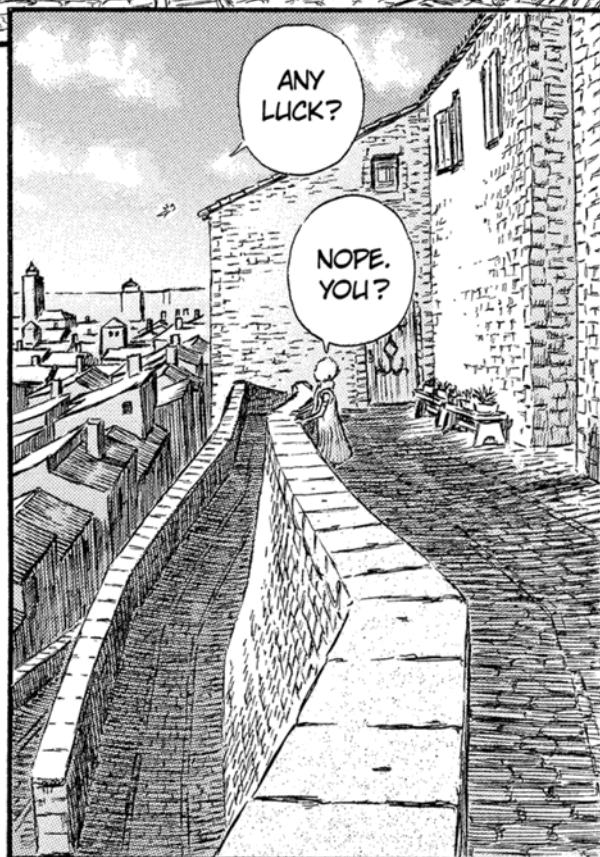
IT IS IMPERMISSIBLE.

TO PILLORY CORPSES IS A DESECRATION OF THE DEAD.



IS THAT UNDERSTOOD?





ANY LUCK?

NOPE. YOU?



ARGGH, WHERE'S THAT WITCH WANDERIN' AROUND AT?!

I GUESS ALL WE CAN DO IS WAIT FOR SCHIERKE'S TELEPATHY? SHE DON'T RESPOND WHEN *WE* CALL HER, ANYWAY.

THIS MANY PEOPLE, AND NOBODY SEEMS TO CARE.

I FIGURED SHE'D STICK OUT, WITH HOW SHE LOOKS.

AND I CAN'T PICK OUT SCHIERKE'S PRESENCE FROM ALL THESE PEOPLE.

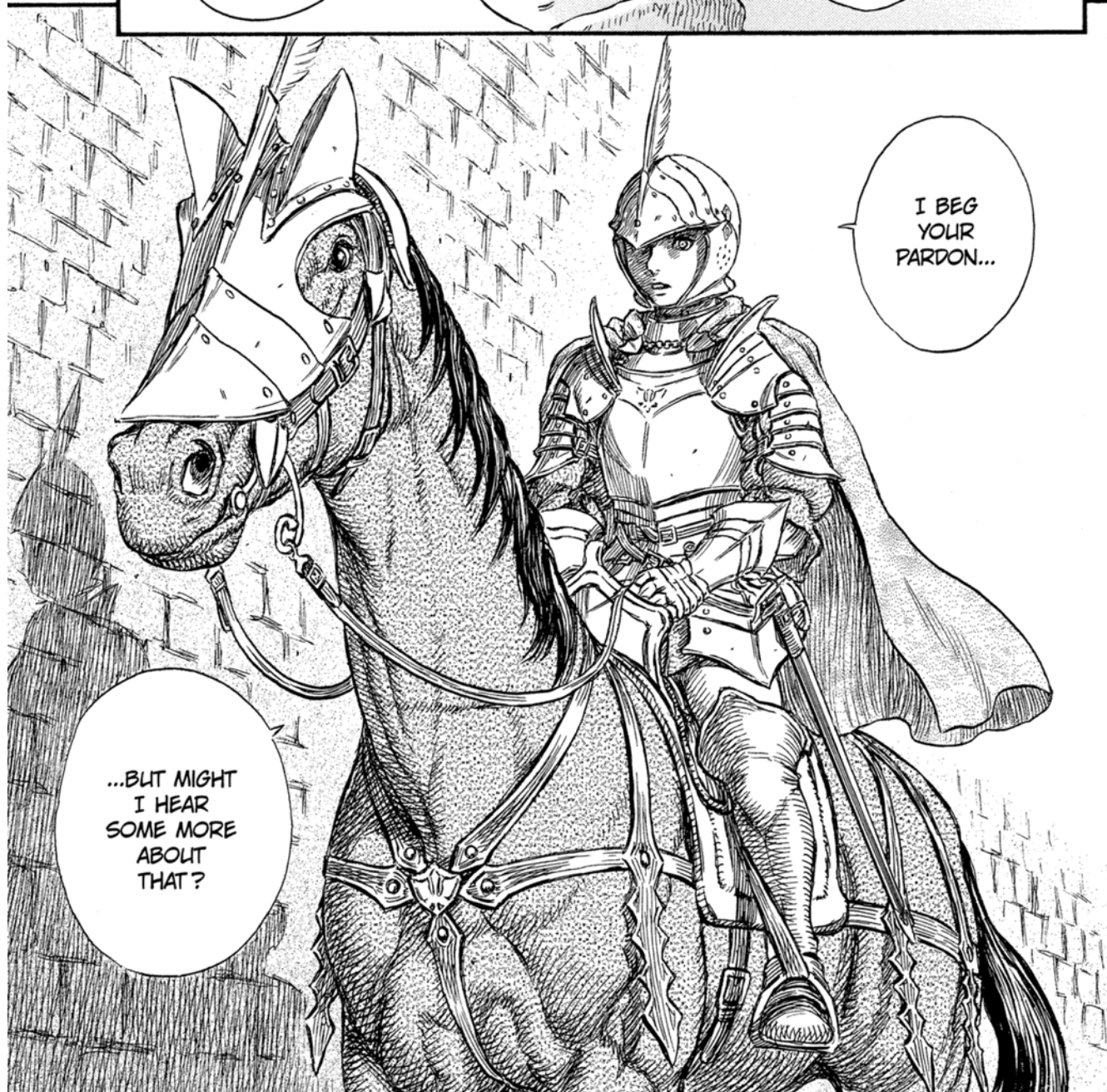
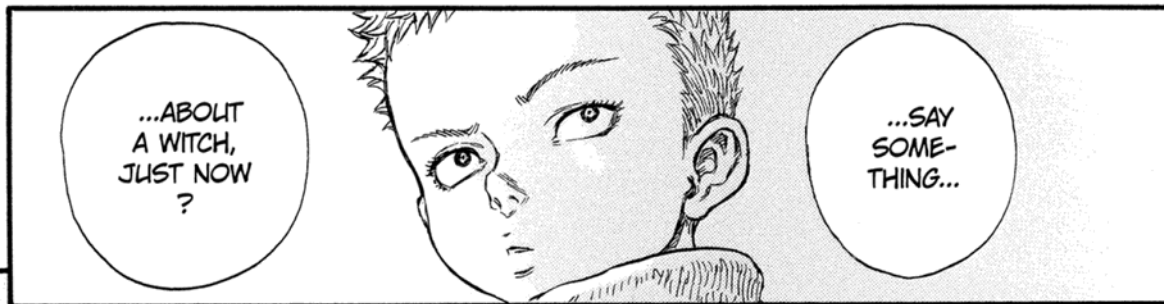
SAME HERE.



THE BUILDINGS KEEP ME FROM SEARCHIN' FROM THE SKY.



*FX: CLOP CLOP







IT'S
SCARYYY
...

FEELS
LIKE IT'S
GONNA
SQUASH
US.



I BET A
WHOLE FOREST
OF TREES
WOULDN'T BE
ENOUGH FOR
THESE...

AND
THERE'S
SO MANY.



WHY'D
THEY MAKE
A THING
THIS
BIG...?



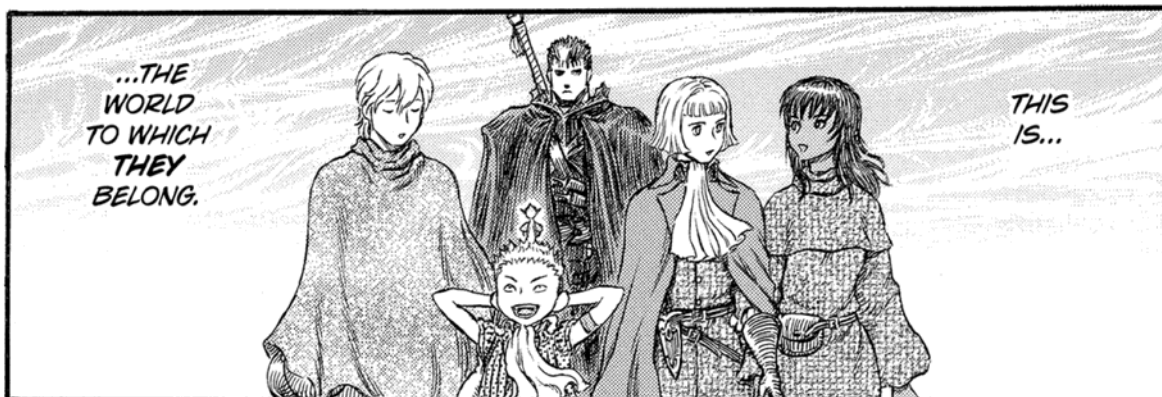
SO
BIIG.

WHOOAA,
WHAT'S
THIS?



WHERE
CAN'T
THEY
REACH
WITHOUT
THIS?

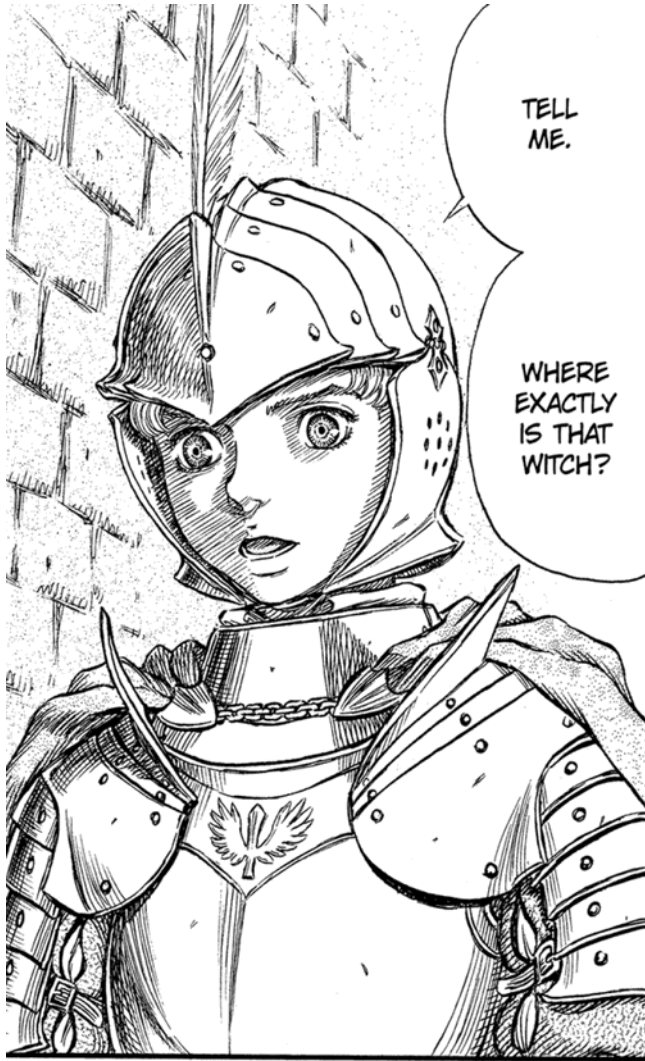
WHAT
DO THEY
NEED
SOMETHING
THIS
BIG TO
CARRY?

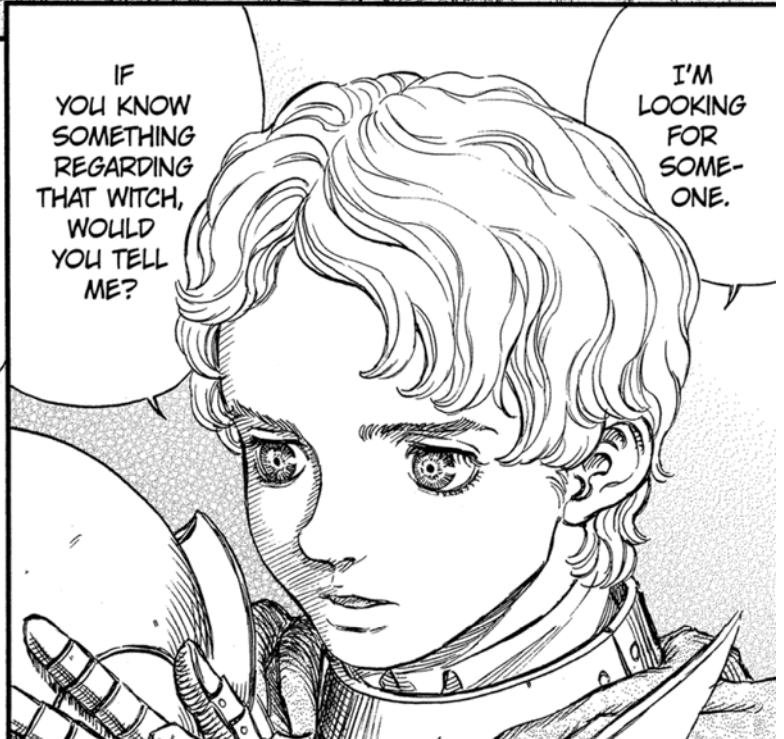
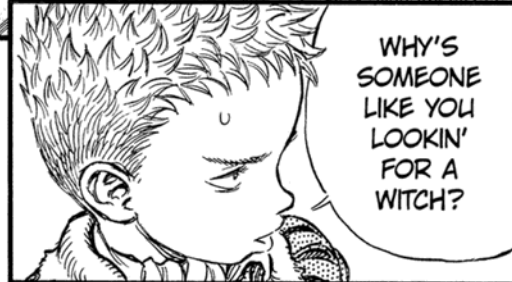
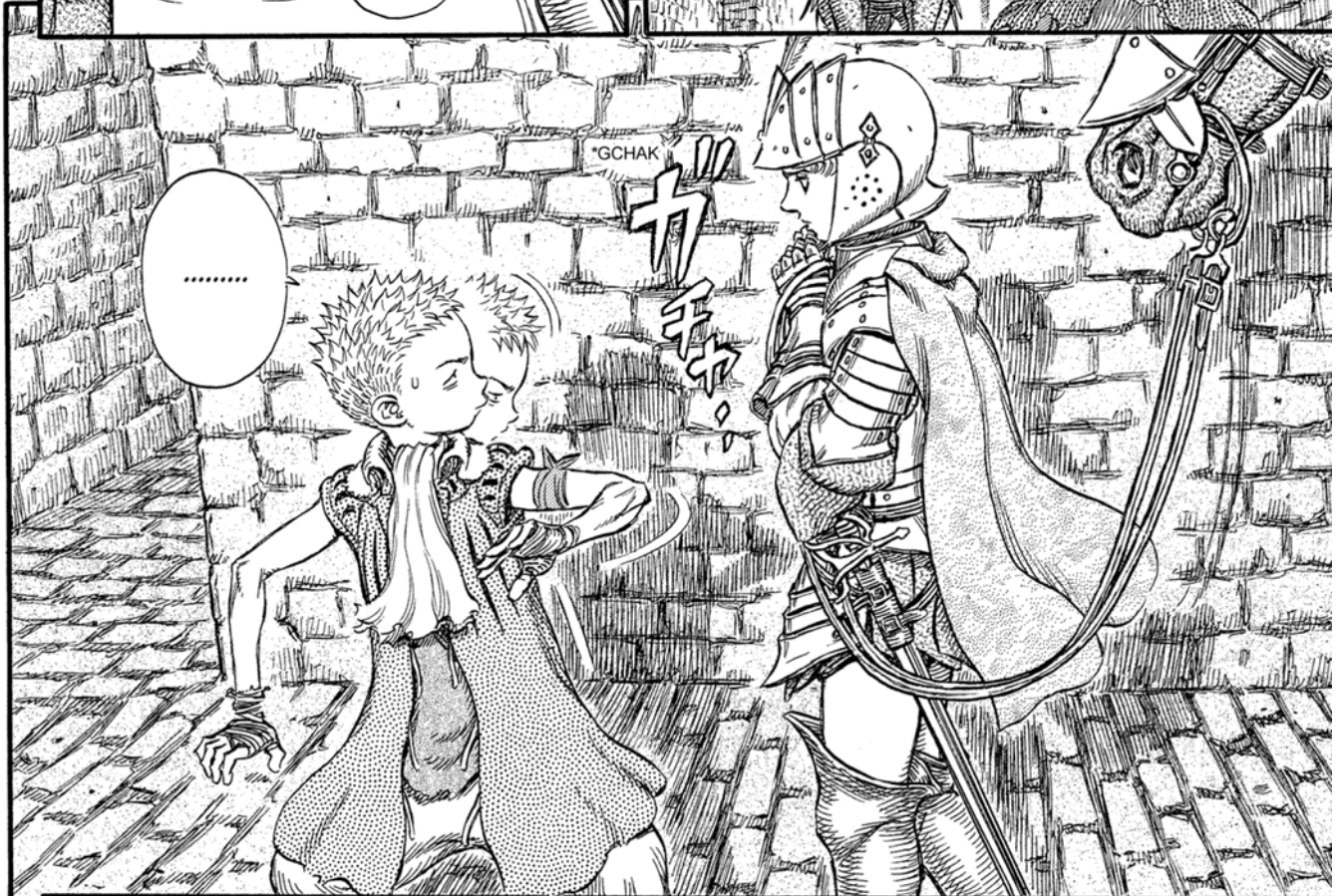
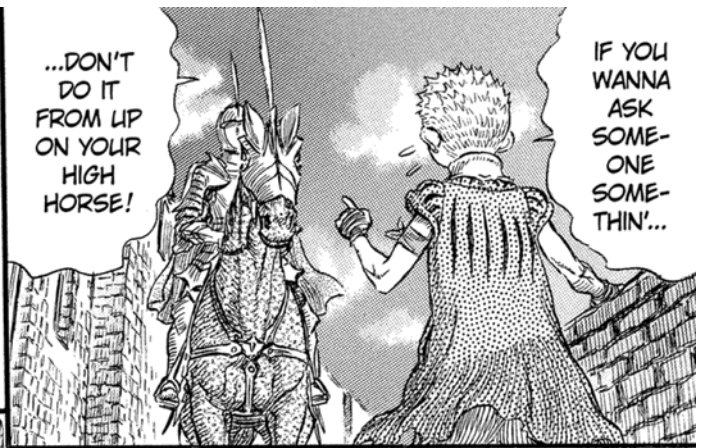


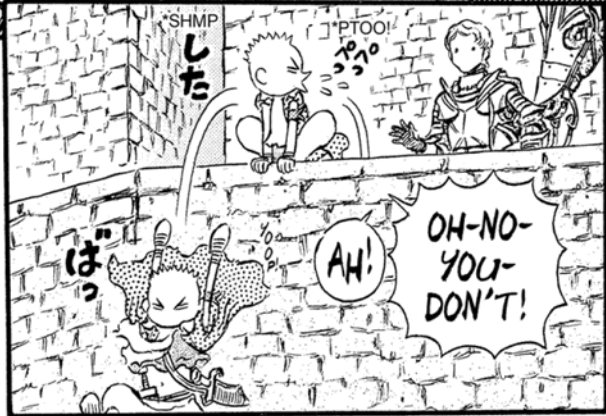
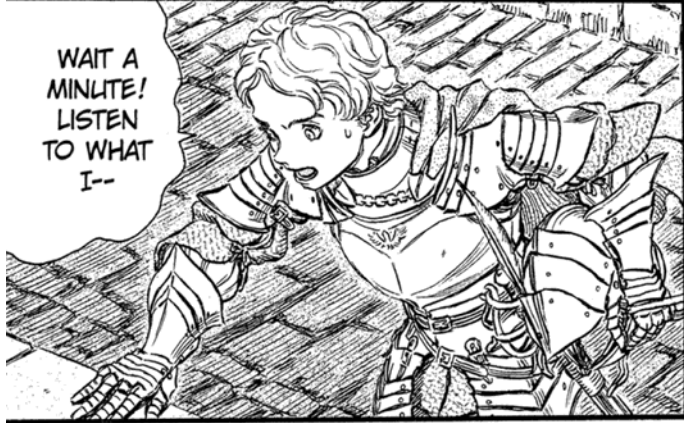
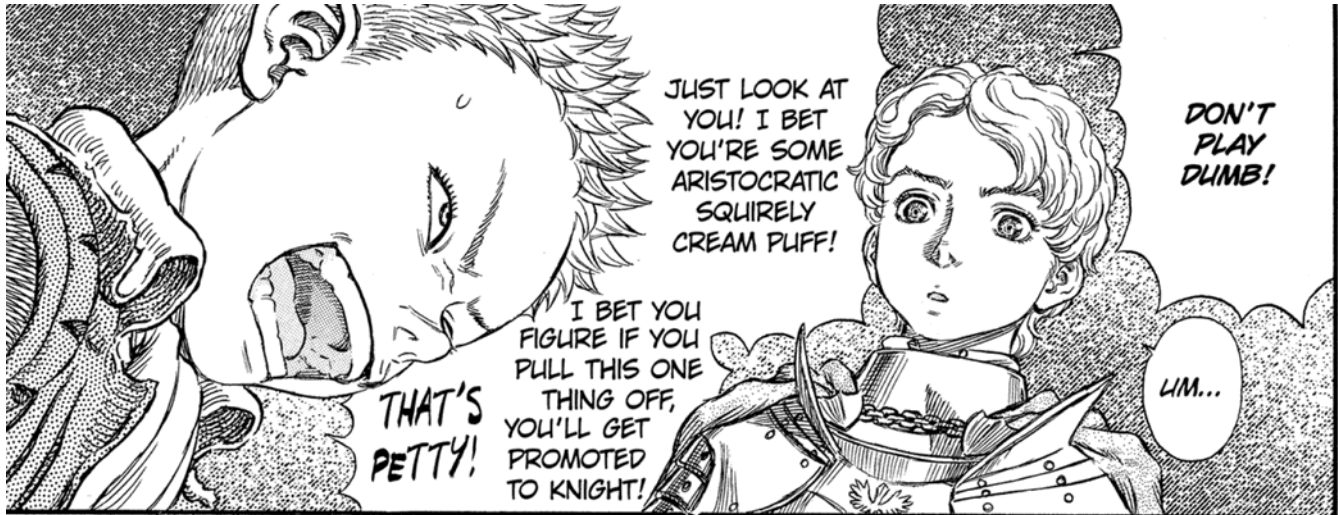
**THE KITE AND THE
OWL OF THE WHARF**

棧橋のトンビとフクロウ

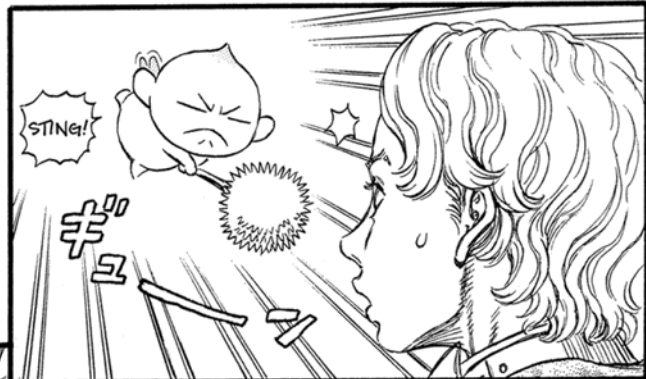
BERSERK



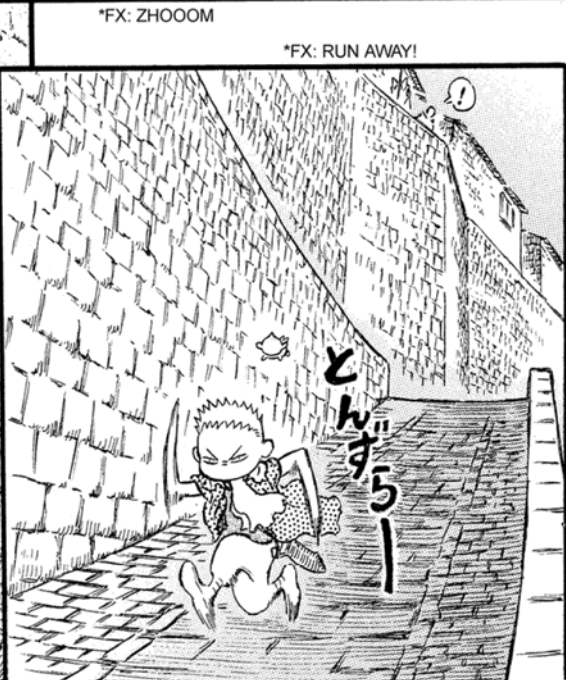
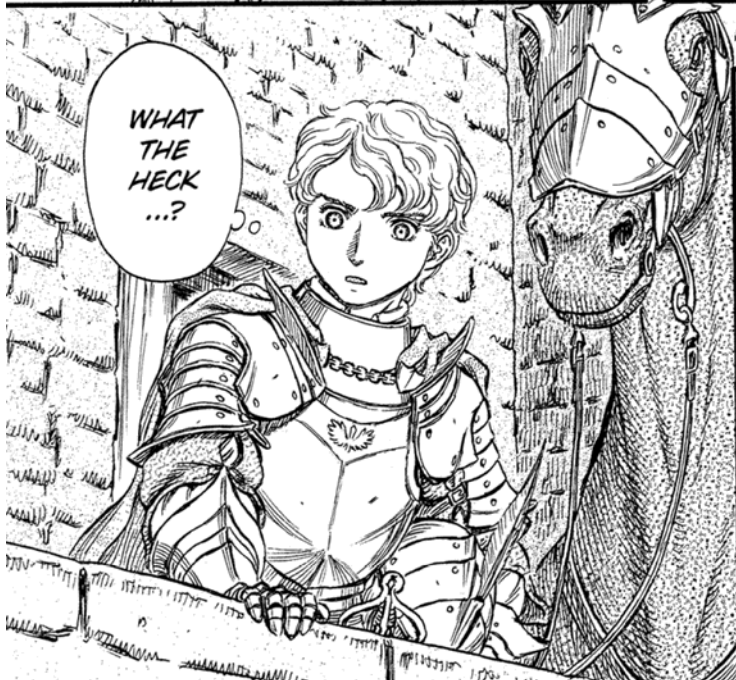




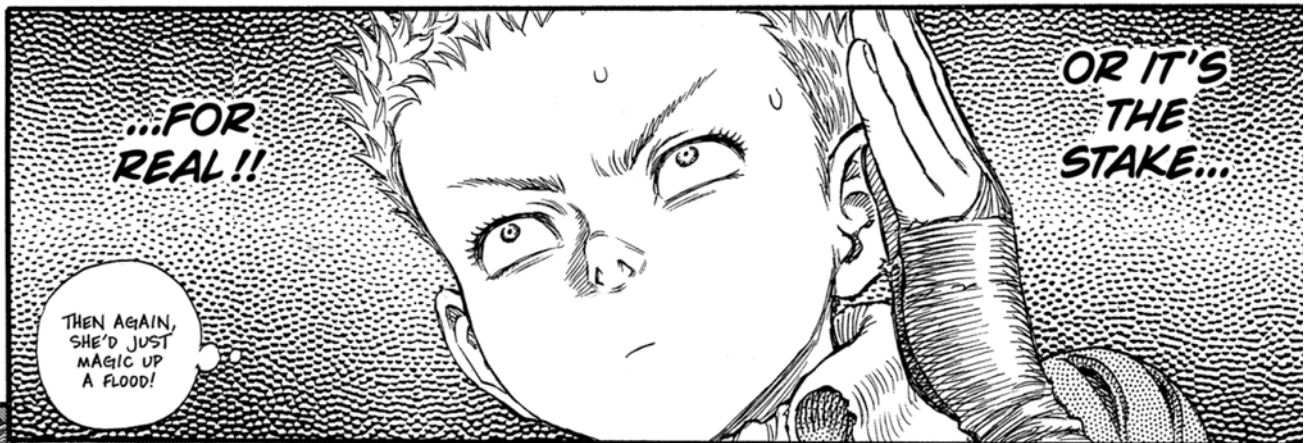
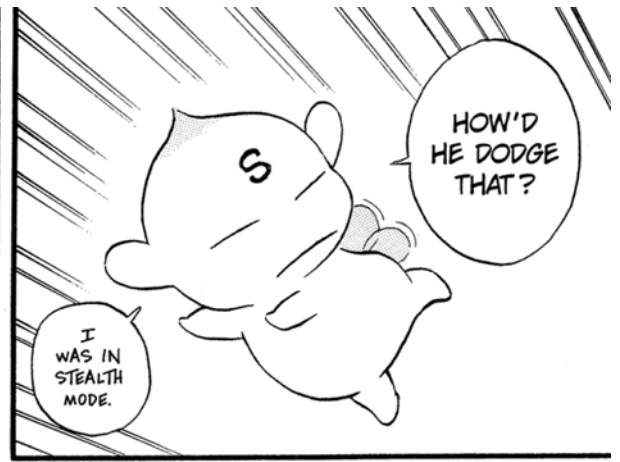
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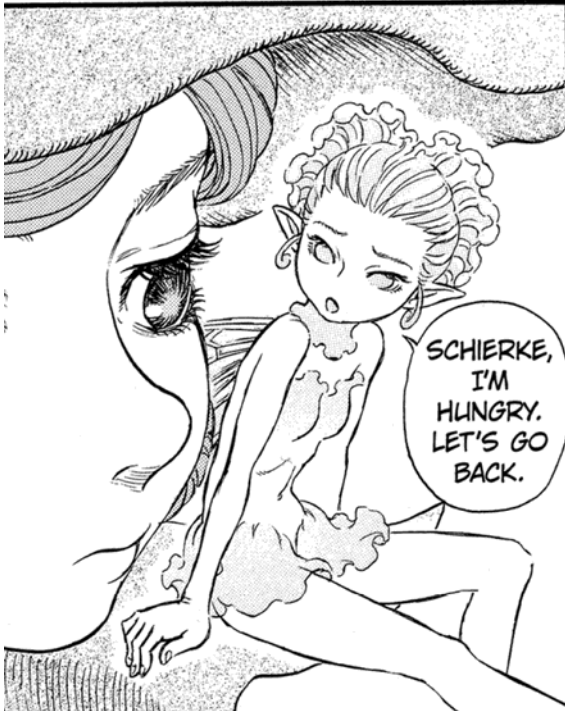


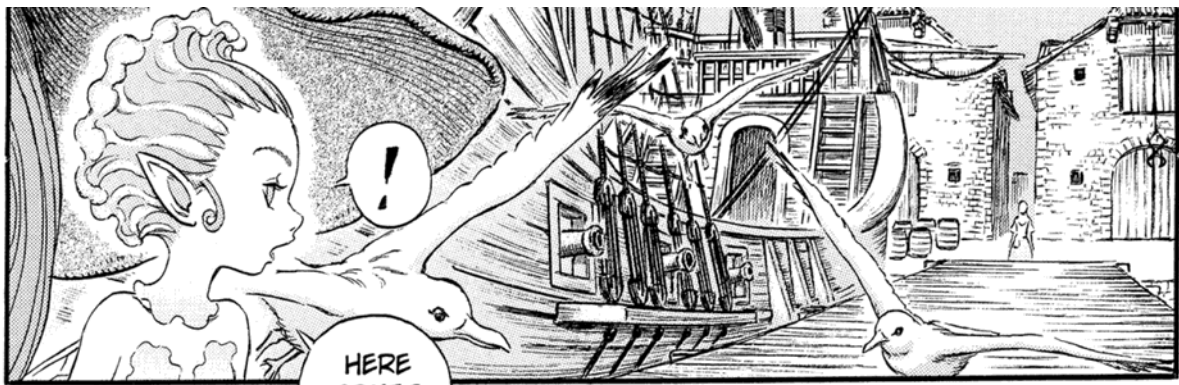
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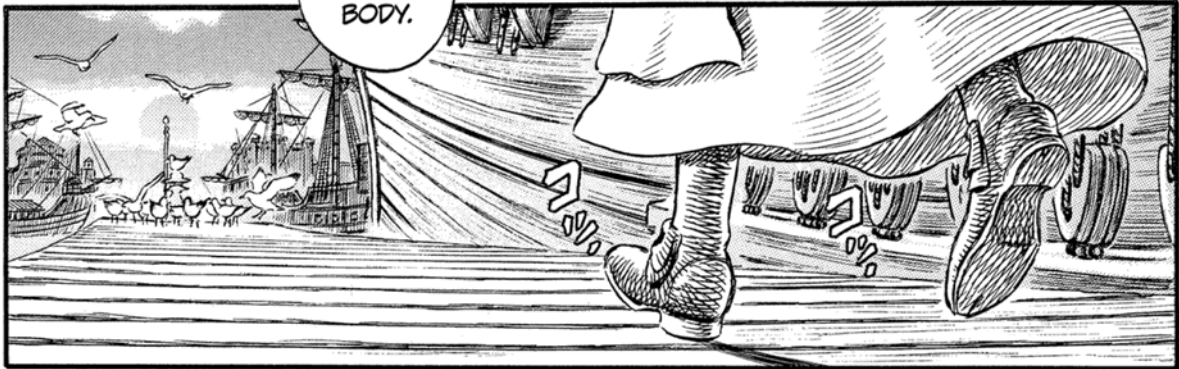
*FX: RUN AWAY!







HERE
COMES
SOME-
BODY.

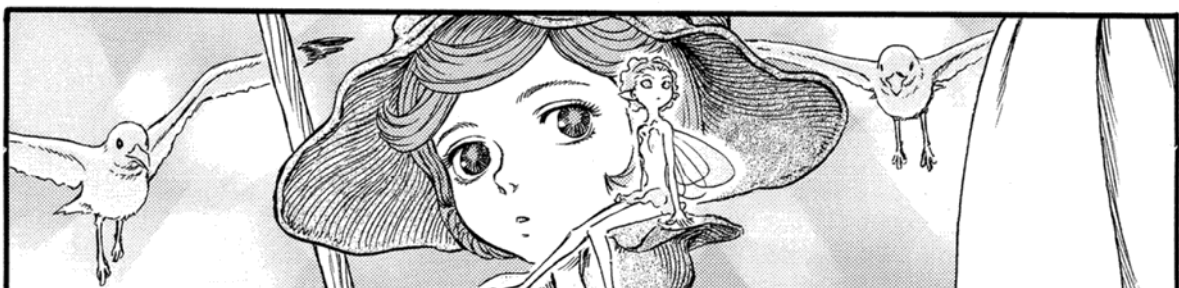
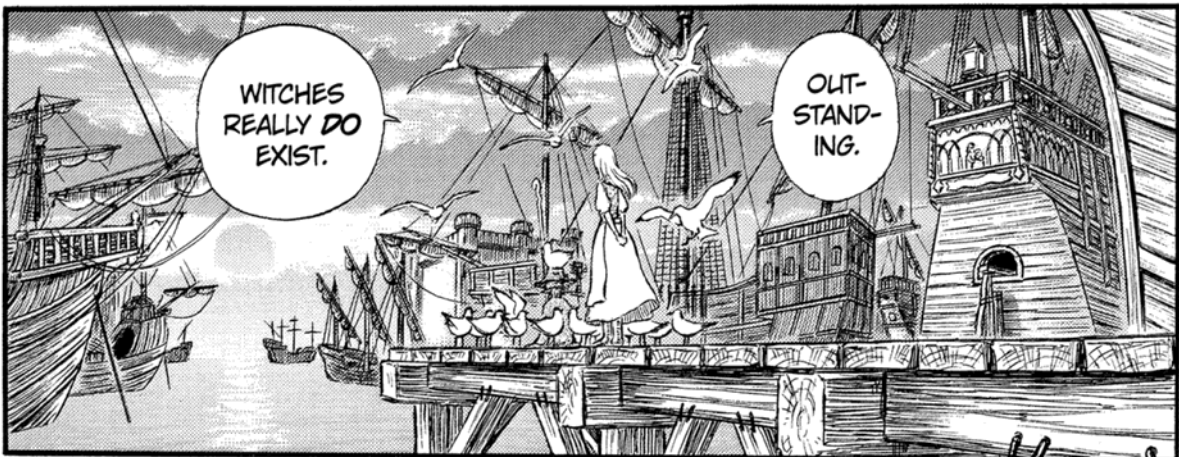


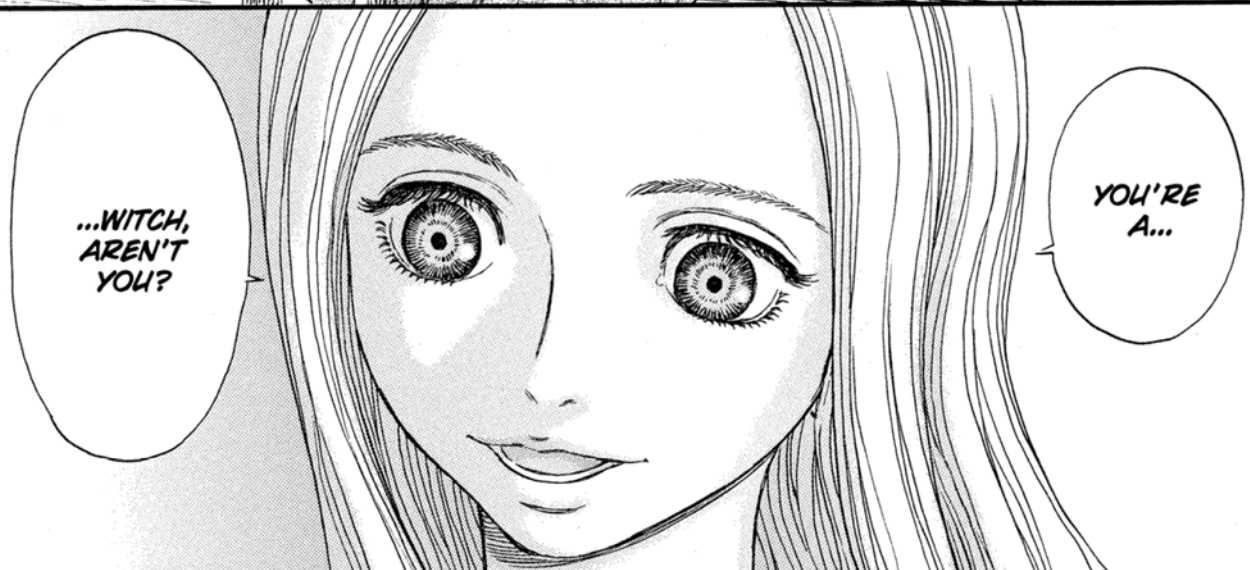
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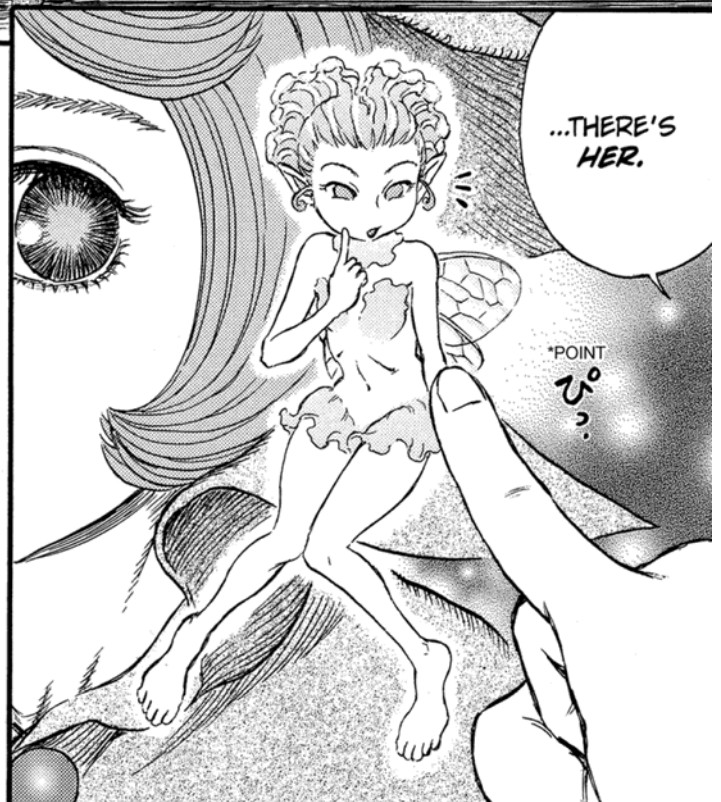
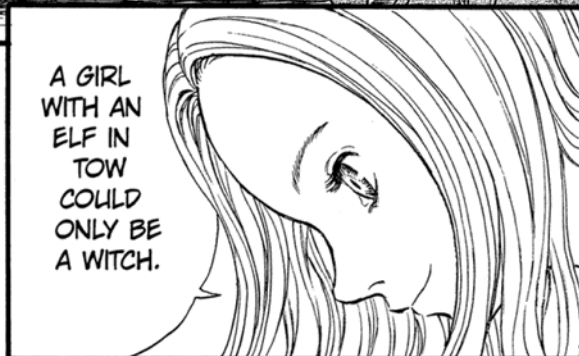
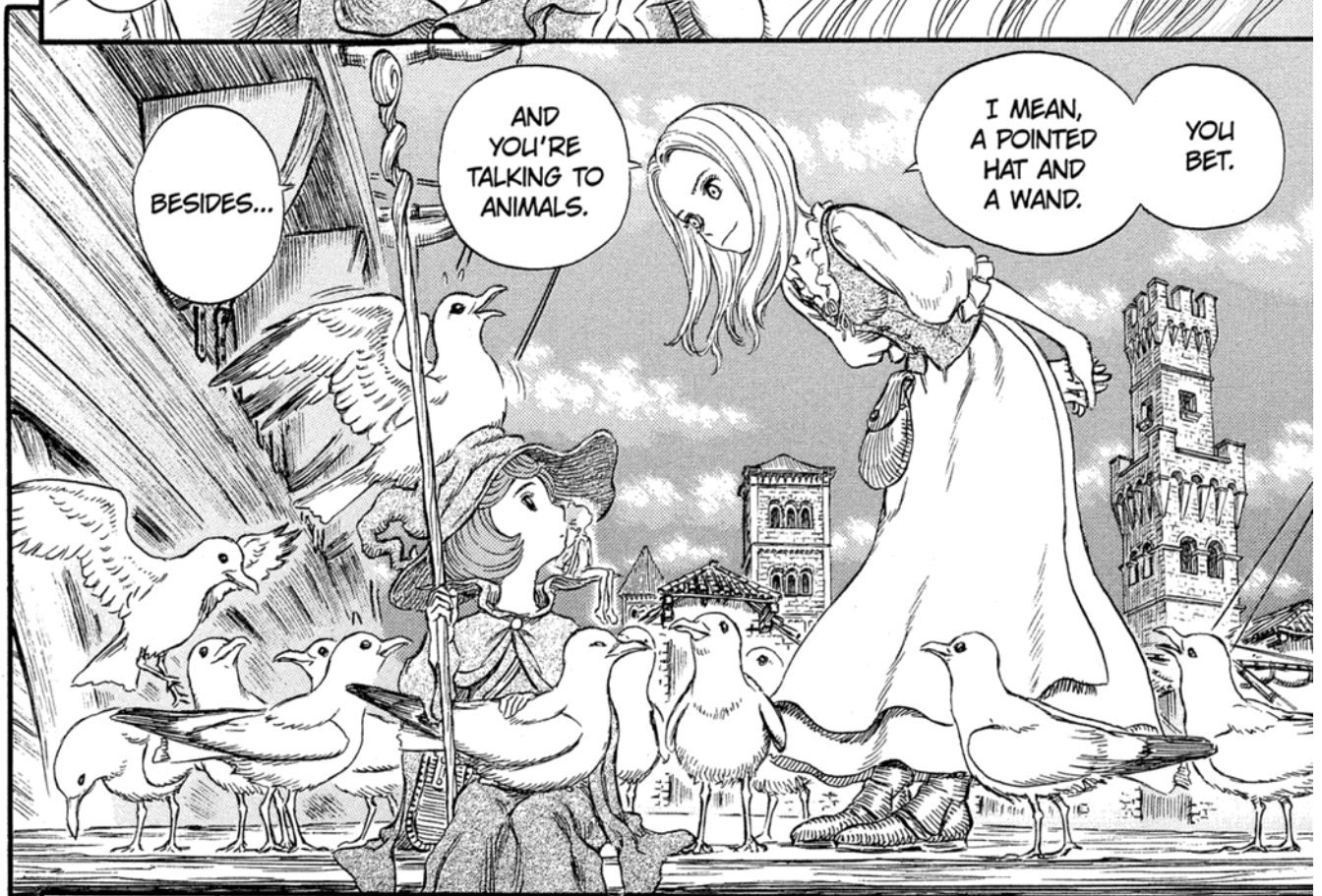
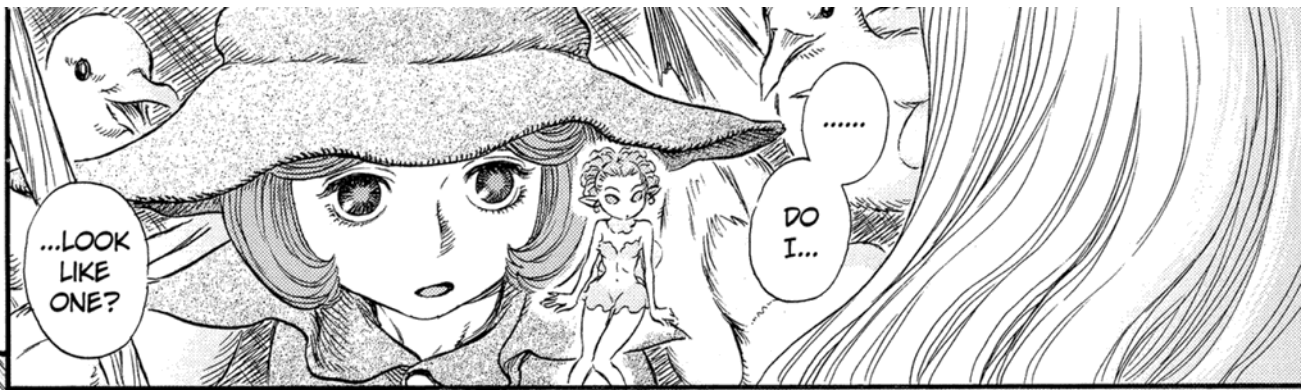
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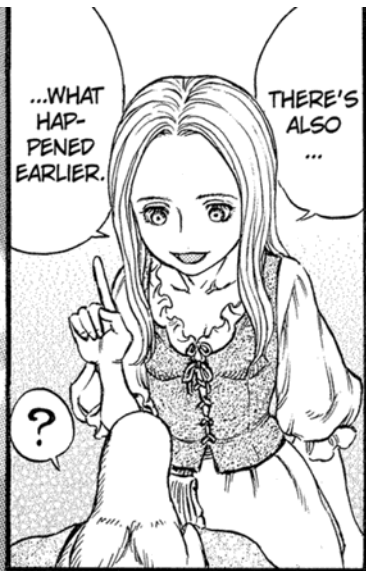
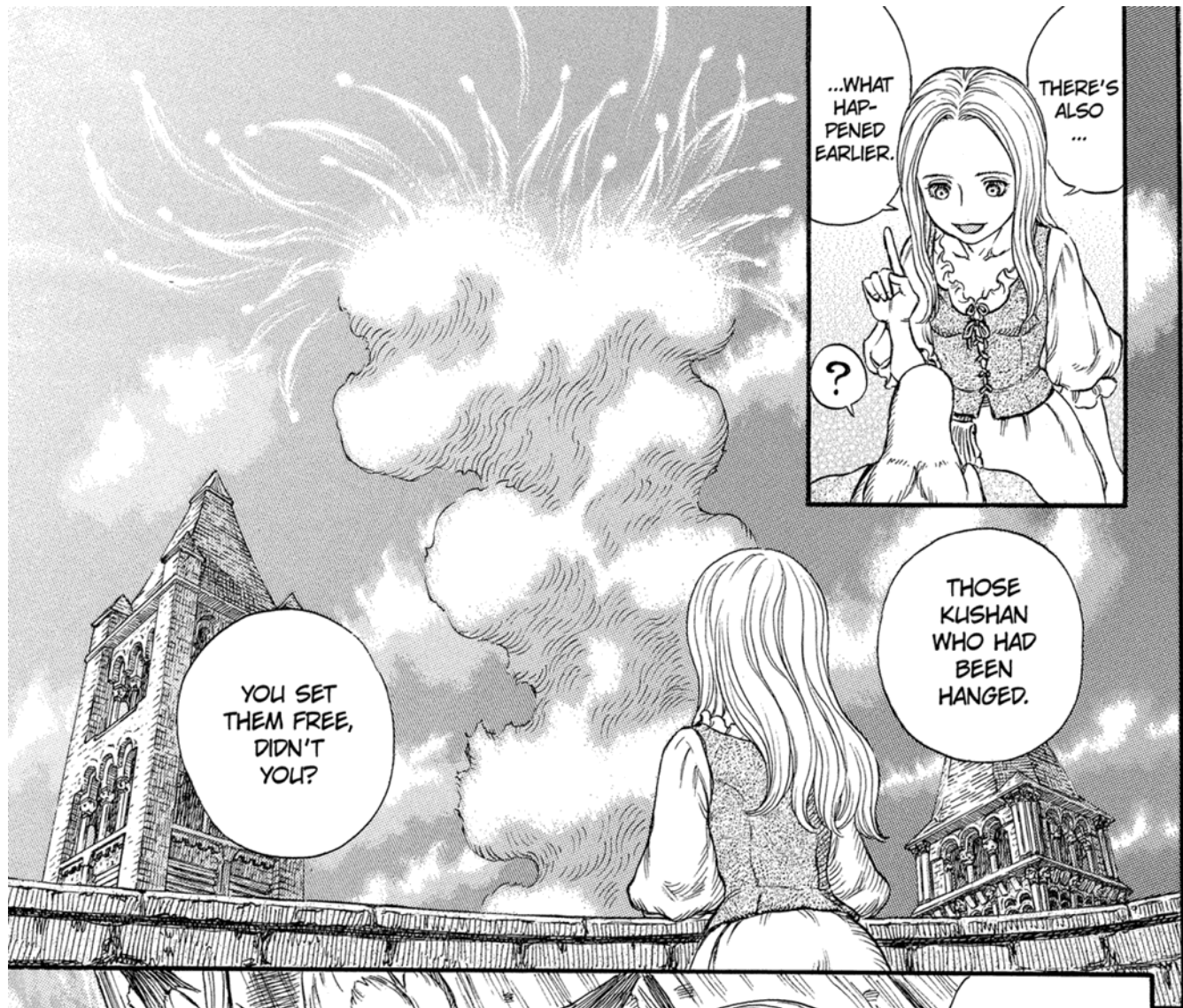
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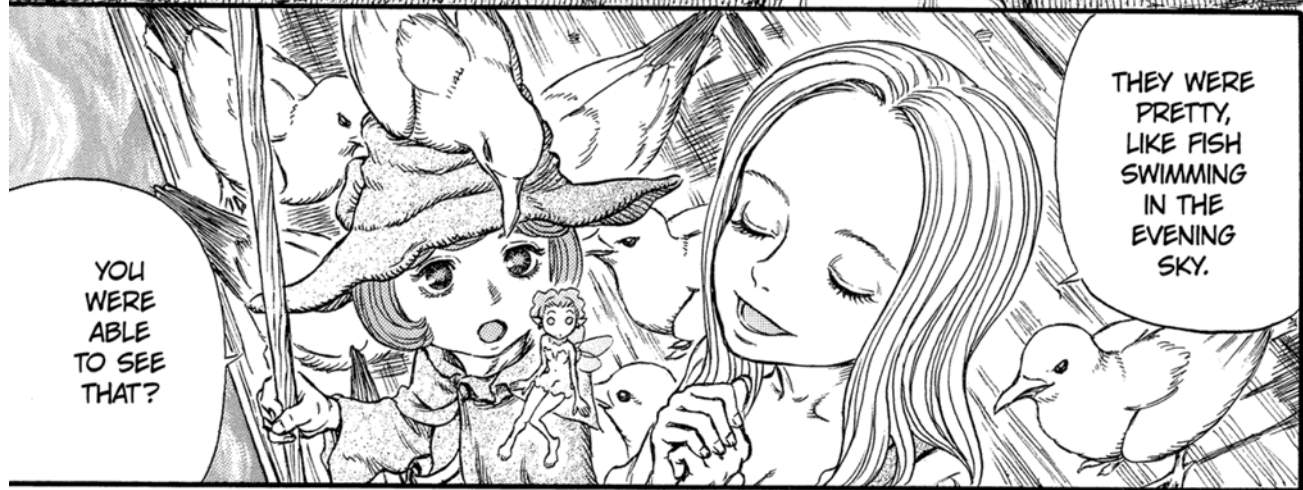
...WHAT HAP-
PENED
EARLIER.

THERE'S
ALSO
...

?

YOU SET
THEM FREE,
DIDN'T
YOU?

THOSE
KUSHAN
WHO HAD
BEEN
HANGED.



THEY WERE
PRETTY,
LIKE FISH
SWIMMING
IN THE
EVENING
SKY.

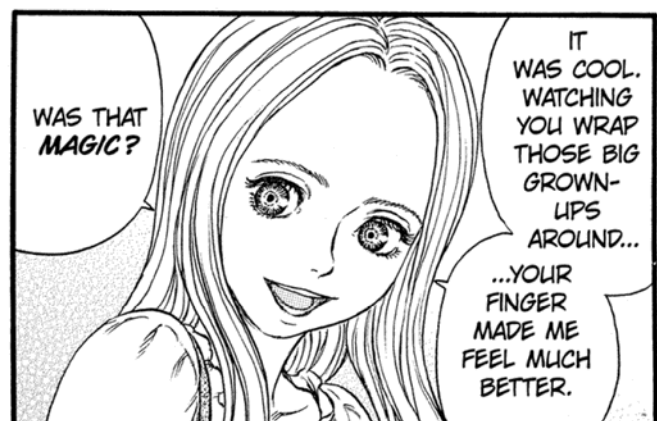
YOU
WERE
ABLE
TO SEE
THAT?



IT WAS
JUST SOME-
THING AKIN
TO SUG-
GESTION.

IT
WAS
NOT
SO BIG
A...

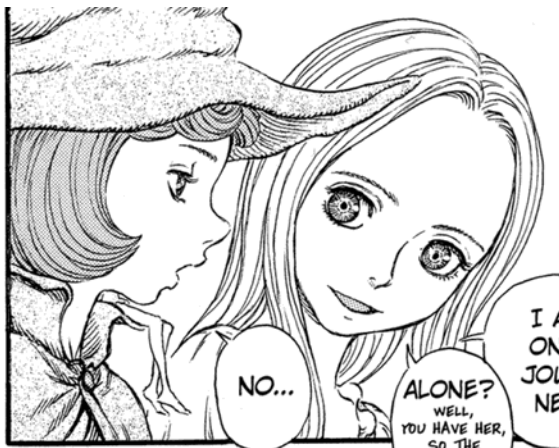
OH, BUT
IT WAS
BIG.
♡



WAS THAT
MAGIC?

IT
WAS COOL.
WATCHING
YOU WRAP
THOSE BIG
GROWN-
LIPS
AROUND...

...YOUR
FINGER
MADE ME
FEEL MUCH
BETTER.



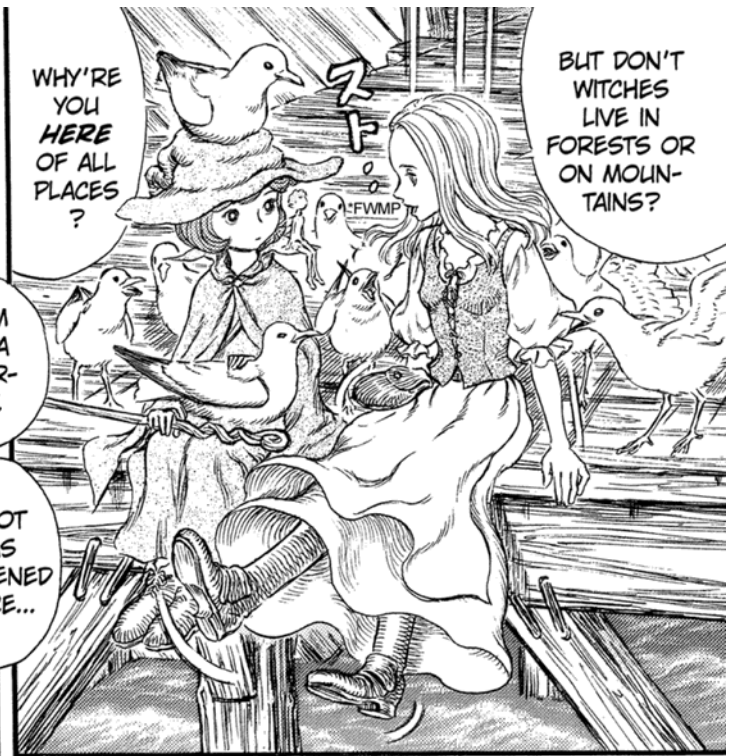
NO...

ALONE?
WELL,
YOU HAVE HER,
SO THE
TWO OF YOU
ALONE?

I AM
ON A JOUR-
NEY.

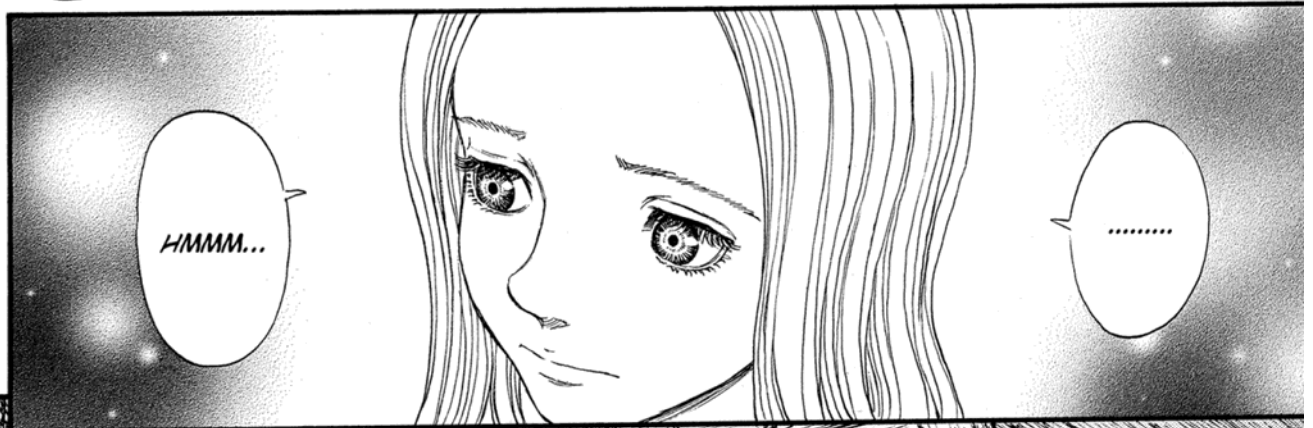
WHY'RE
YOU
HERE
OF ALL
PLACES
?

BUT DON'T
WITCHES
LIVE IN
FORESTS OR
ON MOUN-
TAINS?

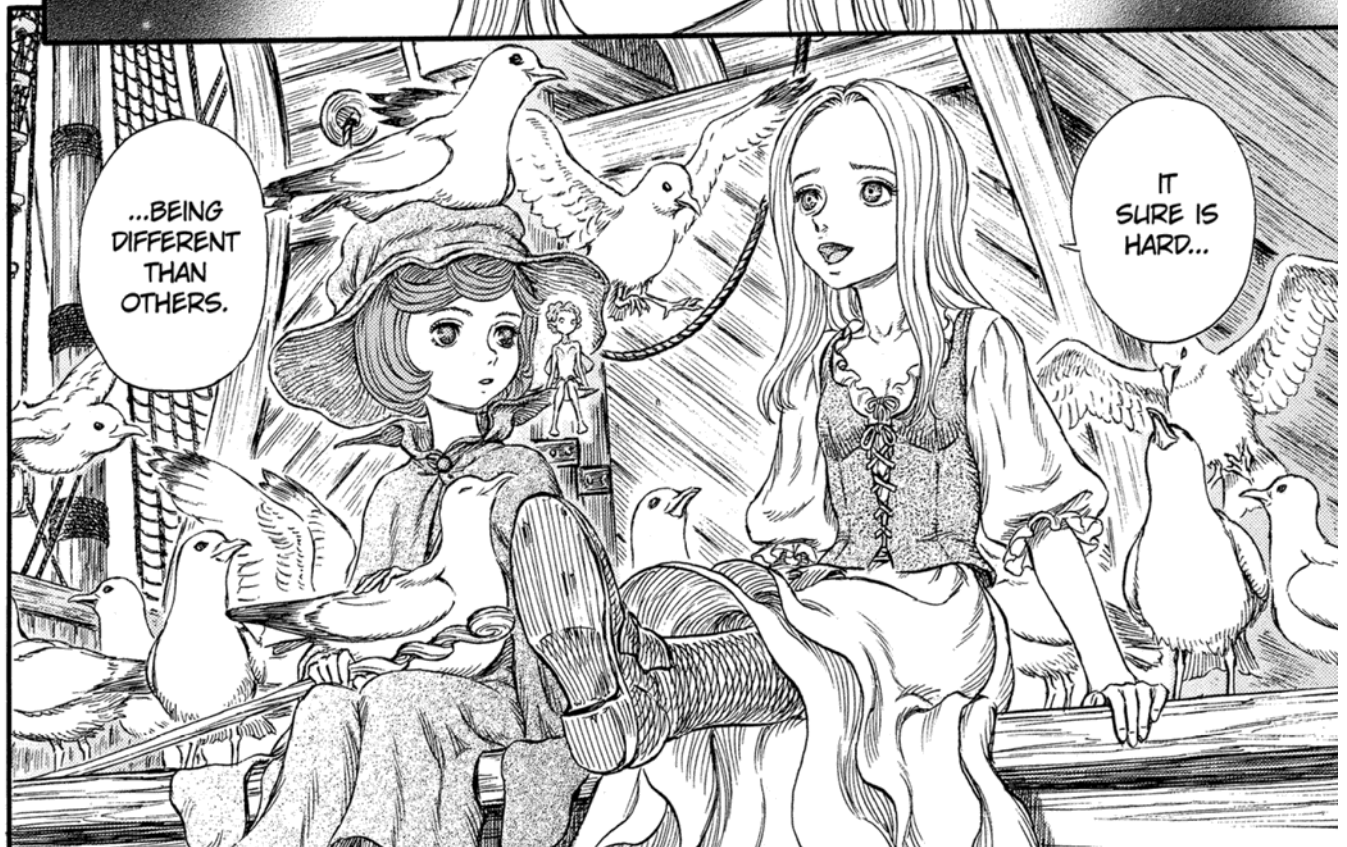


...WE
CAME
TO THIS
CITY.

A LOT
HAS
HAPPENED
SINCE...



HMMM...



...BEING
DIFFERENT
THAN
OTHERS.

IT
SURE IS
HARD...

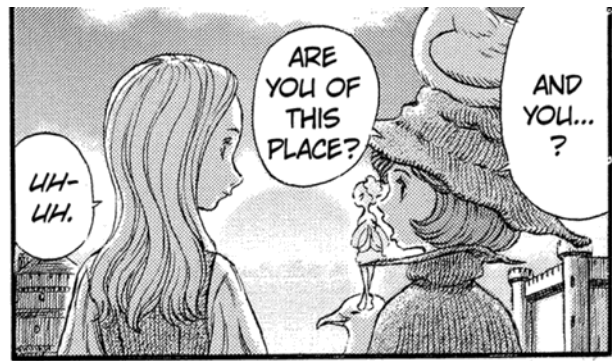


A DUCK ?

?

OH!
I KNOW
THAT FAIRY
TALE!

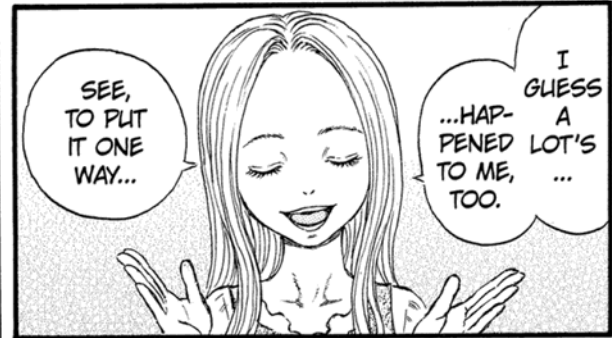
ONCE
UPON A
TIME
THERE
WAS AN
UGLY
DUCKLING
!



UH-
UH.

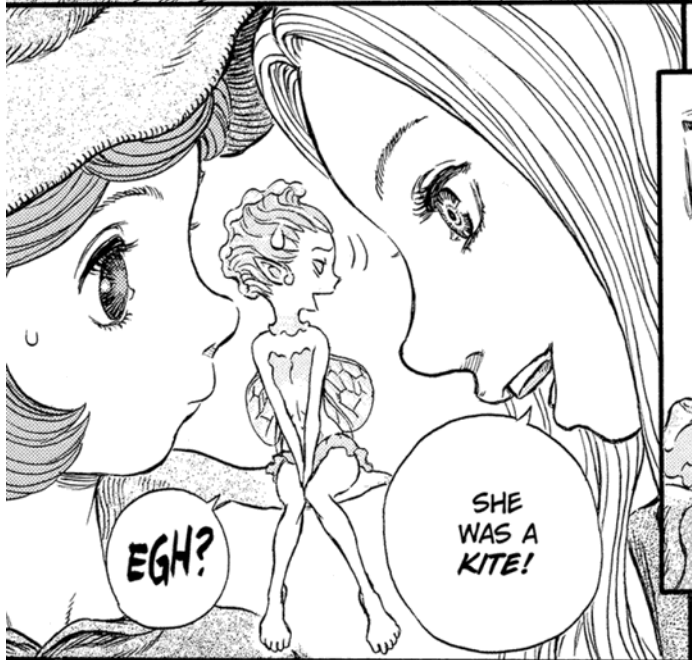
ARE
YOU OF
THIS
PLACE?

AND
YOU...
?



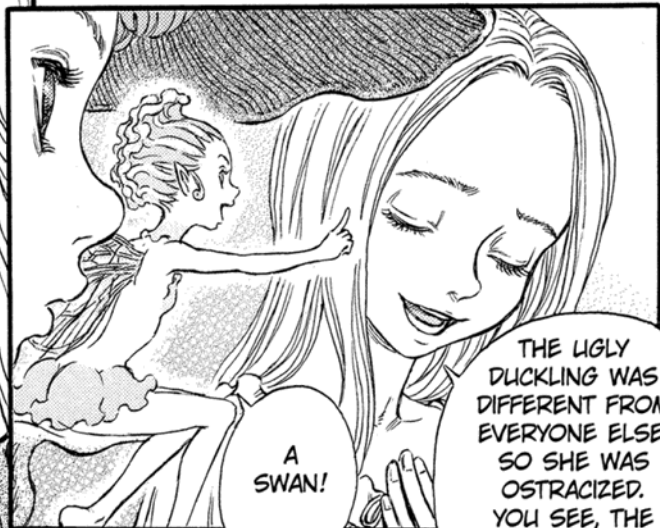
SEE,
TO PUT
IT ONE
WAY...

I
GUESS
A LOT'S
...
...HAP-
PENED
TO ME,
TOO.



EGH?

SHE
WAS A
KITE!



A
SWAN!

THE UGLY
DUCKLING WAS
DIFFERENT FROM
EVERYONE ELSE,
SO SHE WAS
OSTRACIZED.
YOU SEE, THE
UGLY DUCKLING
WAS A...



THE MEEK
DUCKS COULDN'T
EVEN FLY AWAY,
SO THEY JUST
QUACKED IN
TERROR.

...MURDER
OF CROWS
ATTACKED
THE DUCKS'
POND.

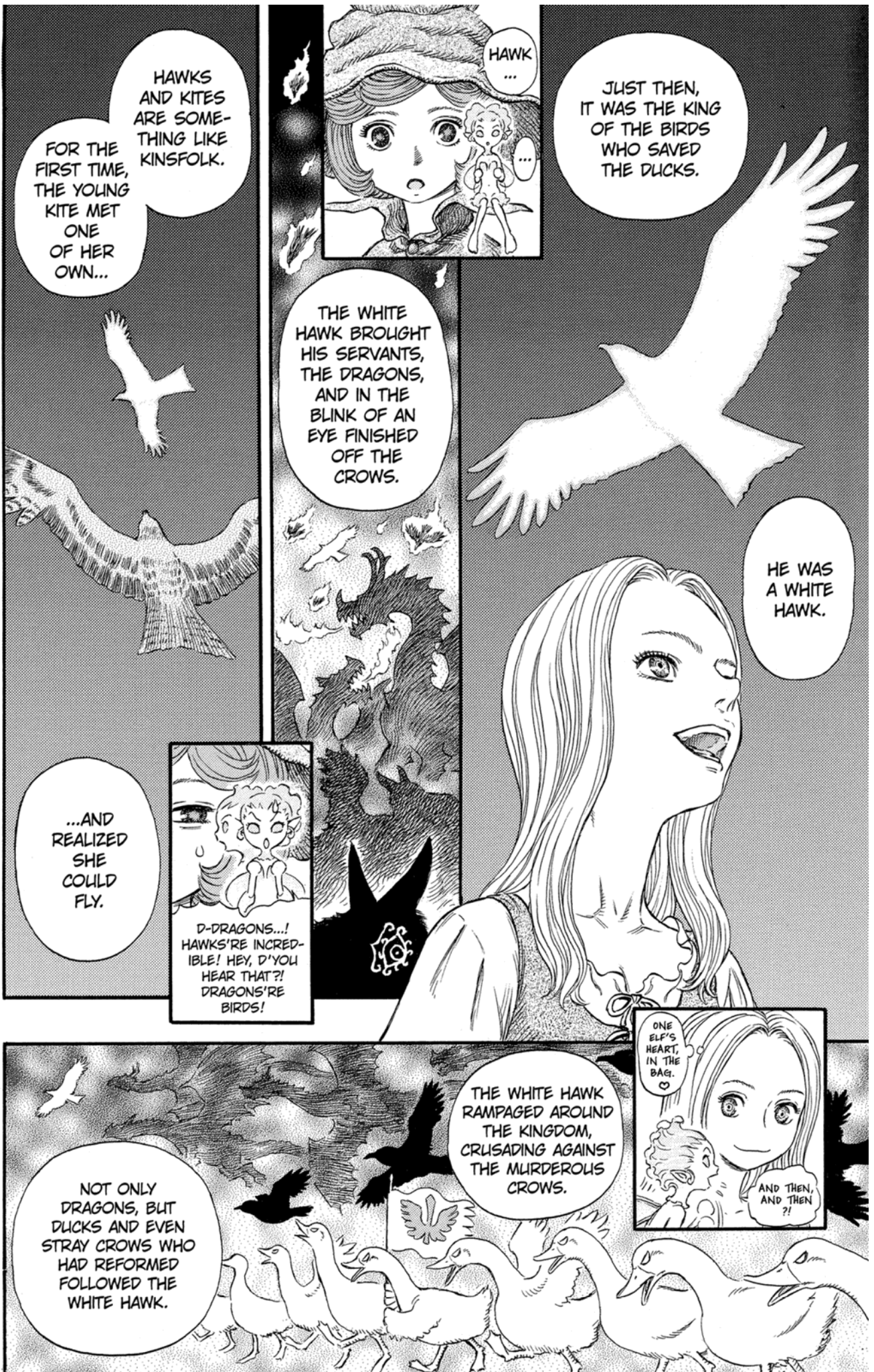
ONE DAY,
A NASTY...



WHAA
?

THE YOUNG KITE
WAS CONVINCED SHE
WAS JUST AN ODD
DUCK AND WAS ALSO
CAPTURED, BECAUSE
SHE DID NOT KNOW
HOW TO FLY.

EVERYONE
WAS
CAPTURED.



FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE YOUNG KITE MET ONE OF HER OWN...

HAWKS AND KITES ARE SOMETHING LIKE KINSFOLK.

HAWK ...

JUST THEN, IT WAS THE KING OF THE BIRDS WHO SAVED THE DUCKS.

THE WHITE HAWK BROUGHT HIS SERVANTS, THE DRAGONS, AND IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE FINISHED OFF THE CROWS.

HE WAS A WHITE HAWK.

...AND REALIZED SHE COULD FLY.

D-DRAGONS...! HAWKS'RE INCREDIBLE! HEY, D'YOU HEAR THAT?! DRAGONS'RE BIRDS!

THE WHITE HAWK RAMPAGED AROUND THE KINGDOM, CRUSADING AGAINST THE MURDEROUS CROWS.

ONE ELF'S HEART, IN THE BAG. ♡

AND THEN, AND THEN ?!

NOT ONLY DRAGONS, BUT DUCKS AND EVEN STRAY CROWS WHO HAD REFORMED FOLLOWED THE WHITE HAWK.

NEITHER
THE WILD
DRAGONS NOR
THE FRAIL
DUCKS COULD
DO THAT.

THE YOUNG
KITE WAS
SPECIAL!

ONLY SHE
COULD FLY IN
THE SAME
SKY AND FEEL
THE SAME
WIND AS
THE HAWK.

WHAT A
DREAMY
SITUA-
TION!
♡

OH!!!

*FLAP
FLAP

*FWIT
FWIT

...ONE
DAY IT
HAP-
PENED.

BUT
THEN...

...WANTED
THE WHITE
HAWK AND
THE DUCK
PRINCESS
TO MATE SO
THAT THEY
WOULD HAVE
A STRONG
TIE TO THE
HAWK.

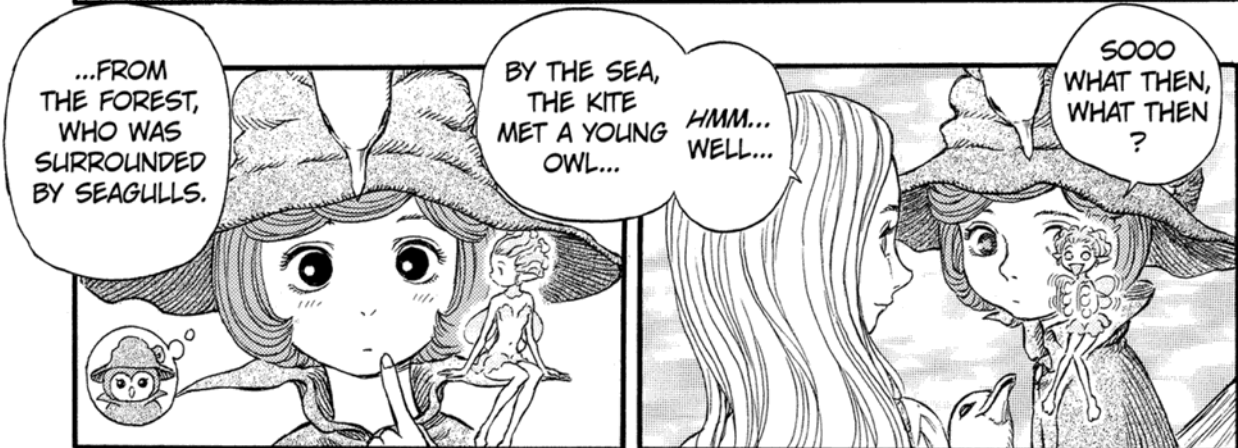
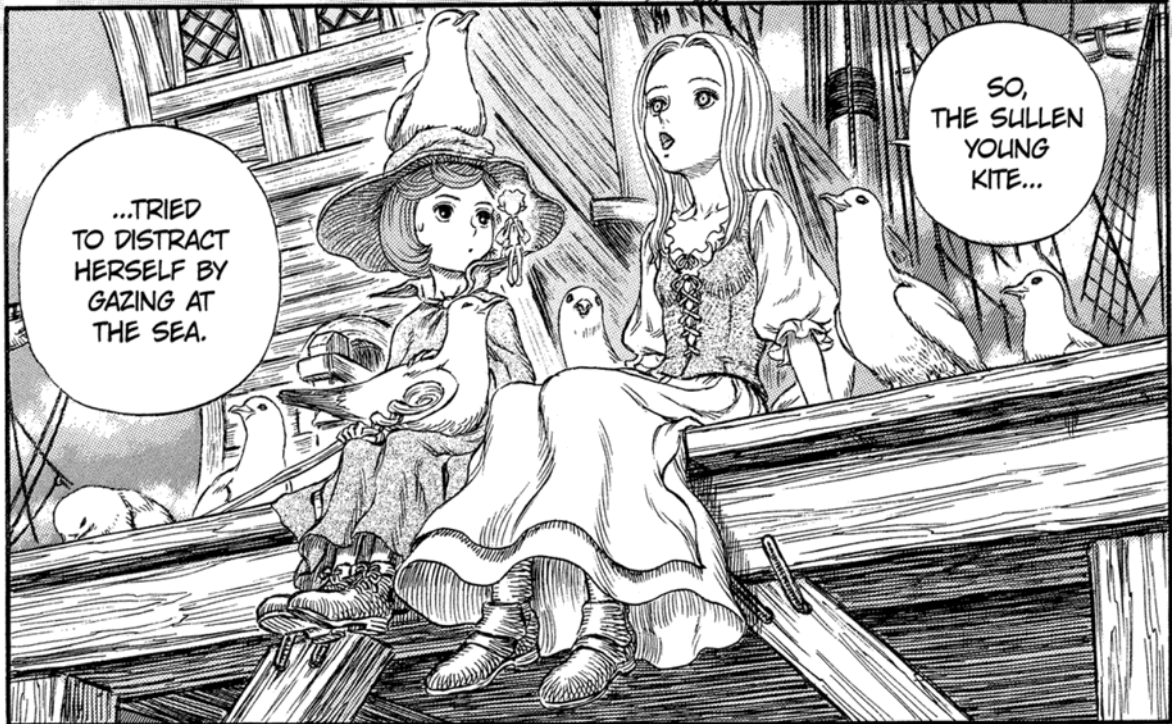
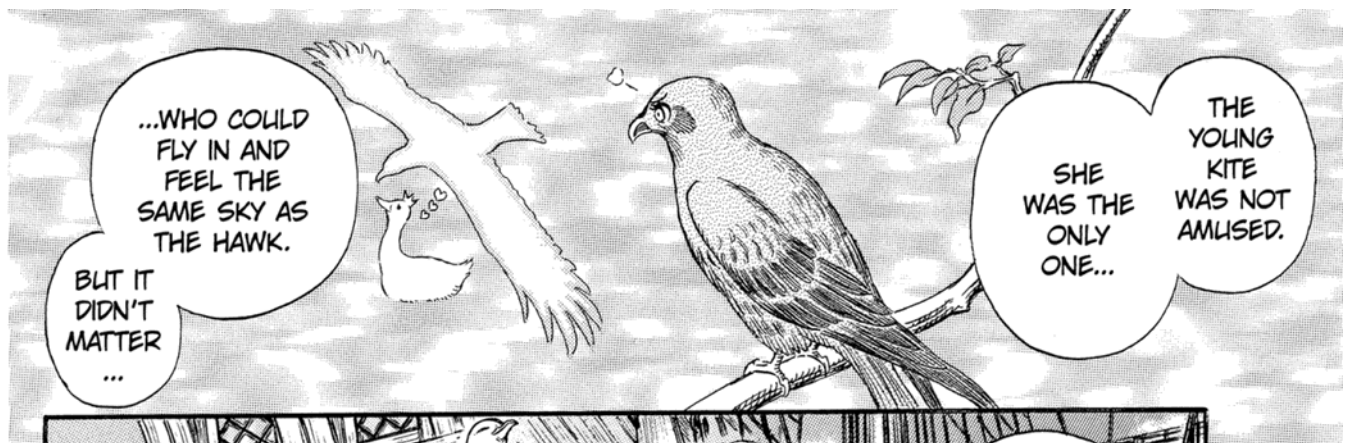
THE
TIMID
DUCKS...

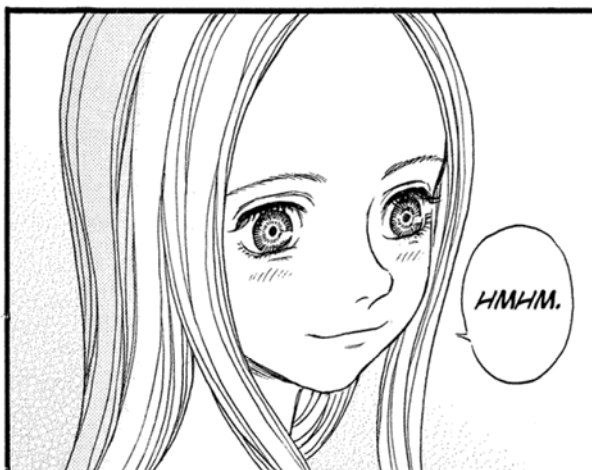
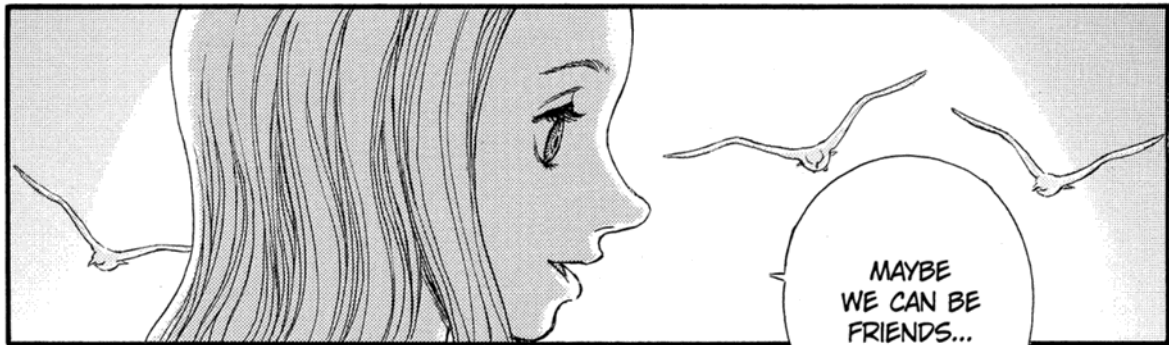
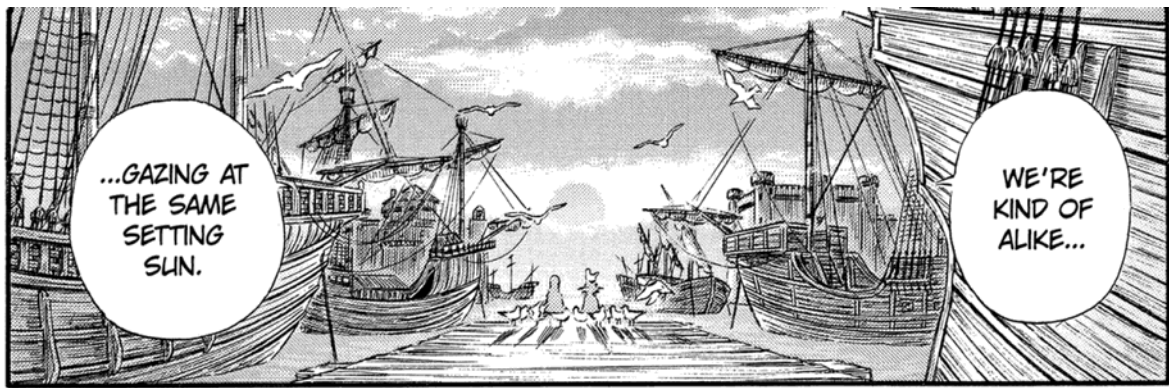
OH
MY!

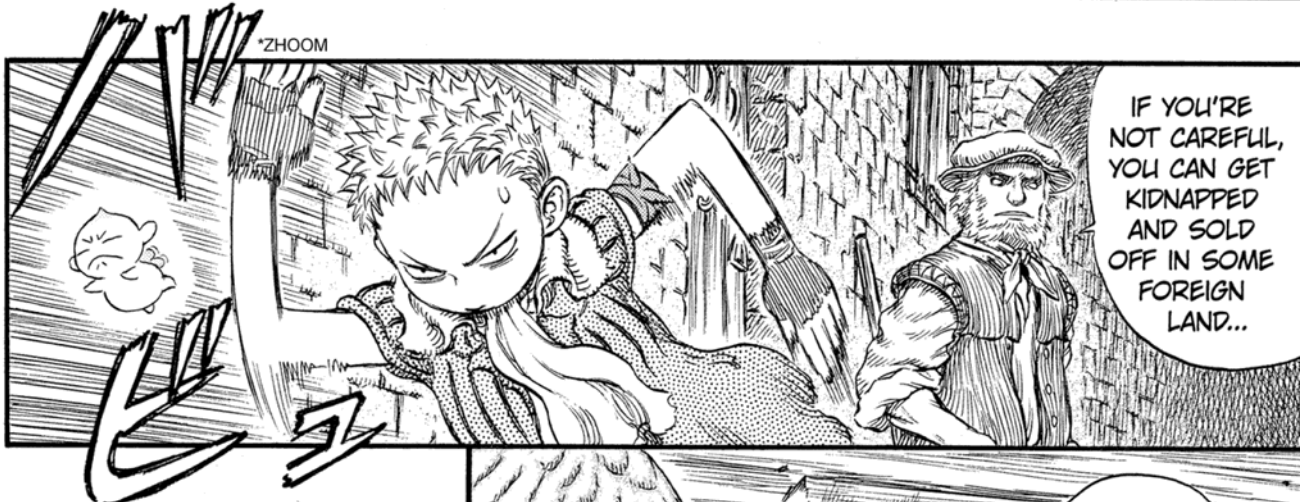
MY!

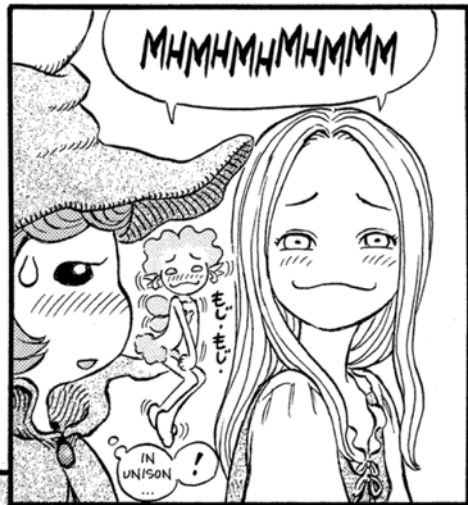
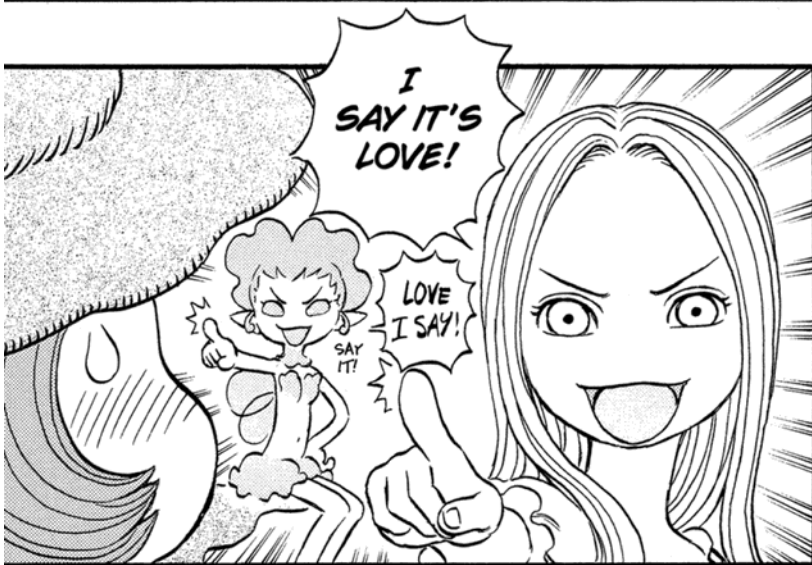
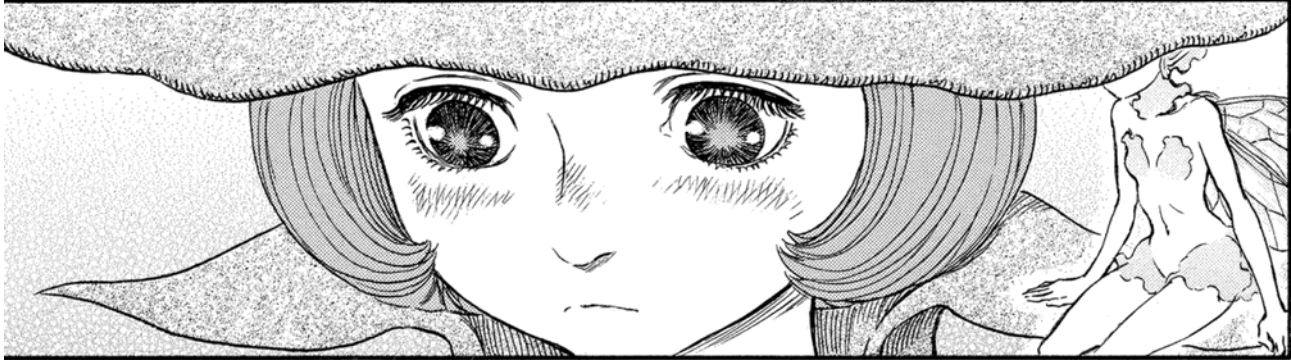
...WAS
RESCUED
BY THE
HAWK.

THE DUCK
PRINCESS,
WHO
HAD BEEN
CAPTURED
BY THE
CROW
KING...



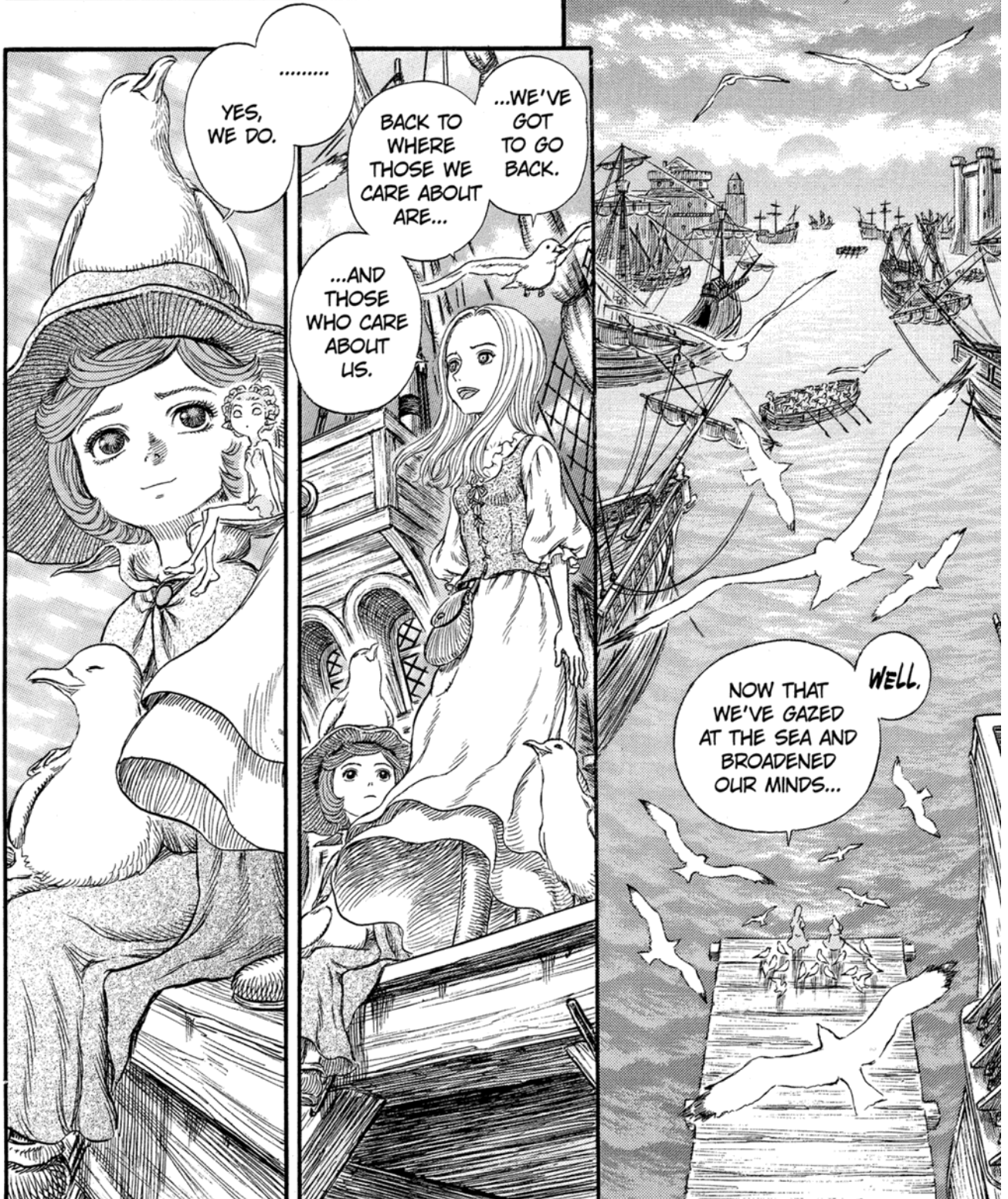
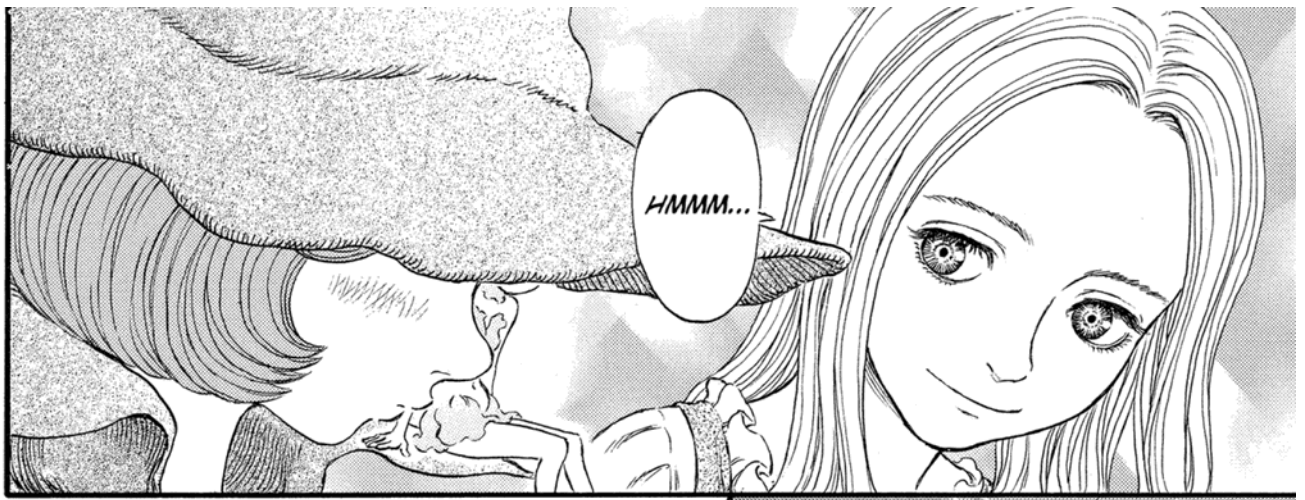






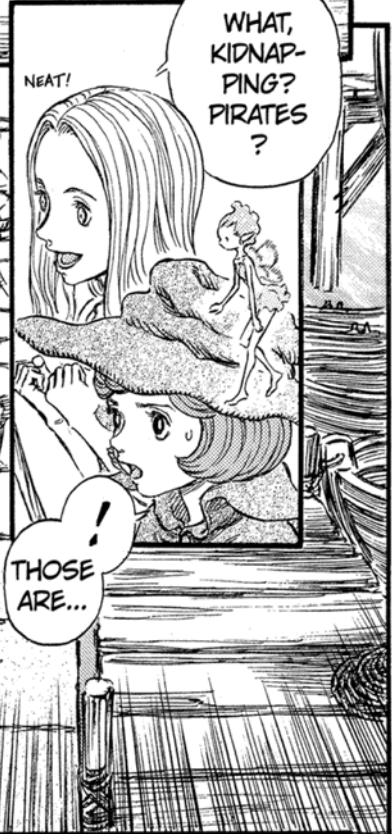
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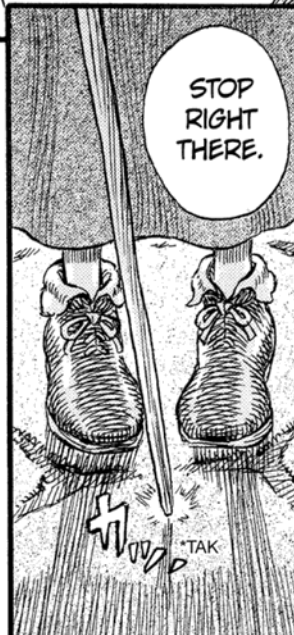


GET
BACK
HERE, YA
DAMN
KIDS!!



NEAT!
WHAT,
KIDNAP-
PING?
PIRATES
?
THOSE
ARE...



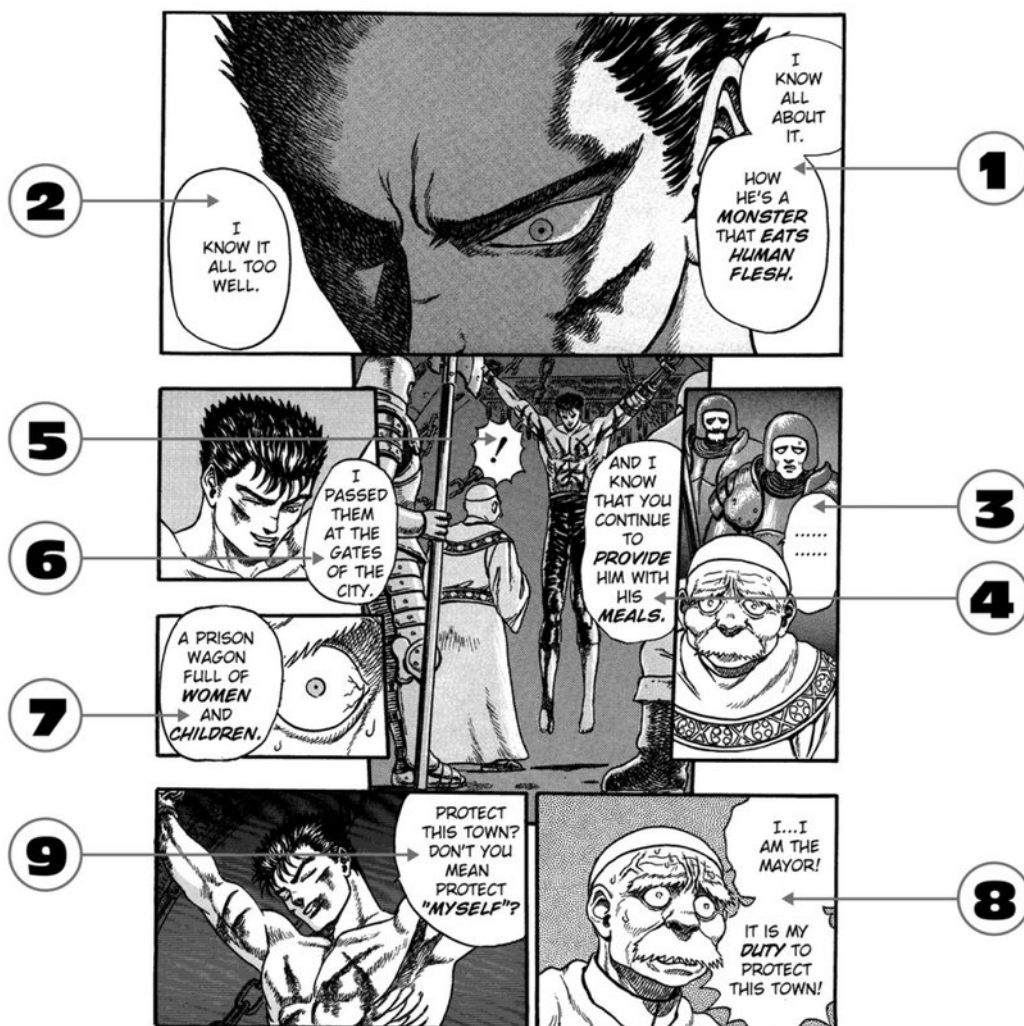




STOP

This is the back of the book!

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BERSERK

**KENTARO
MIURA**

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三浦建太郎

Guts, the Black Swordsman, and his companions have finally arrived at the sea, where they discover a mysterious child who seems to share a special bond with Guts and his former lover, the now-mad Casca. The troupe's brief respite at the shore offers moments for quiet introspection and deeper bonding, but such peace is always short-lived where Guts is involved, and Guts must once again don the demonic Berserker Armor to take on a force of bloodthirsty beasts emerging from the once-peaceful surf, possessed by the accursed sorcery of a powerful Kushan enchanter! And who knows what will happen when internal strife pushes a member of Guts' band unknowingly into the comforting companionship of an enemy!

Created by Kentaro Miura, *Berserk* is a fearsome assault on the senses, a manga masterpiece that leaves no sensibility unturned and no blade unbloodied. A complex blend of horror, humor, and action, *Berserk* is definitely not for the faint of heart, the weak of stomach, or anyone who still needs to sleep with the lights on!

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